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Attached, please find the results of your search request for application 09697398. I have concentrated on finding information on Cluster Computer Systems.

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- Deganizing a plurality of members (computers), in a concluster computers system, into a subgroup from a plurality of members - Determining locally (within a subgroup) whether the local member is a leader for a subgroup.

- Determing whithin the subgroup leader whether data o has been already transmitted to members in subgroup.

- Performing acknowledgment/ response from members to detect any failed member, pepeat performing step until no failed members are detected.

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DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING MERGE REQUEST RECEIVED BY MEMBER IN GROUP IN CLUSTERED COMPUTER SYSTEM

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ABSTRACT

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide an improved method for executing merging operation to connect many partitions in a clustered computer system, its device, and a program product and a medium which holds the program product.

SOLUTION: The device, program product, and method for executing the merging operation use messages sequenced by the clustered computer system to shift the execution of a merging protocol in a clustered group by generally quaranteeing the cancellation or completion of each holding program prior to the execution of the merging protocol until all holding protocols of respective partitions in the group are executed. From the point of view of each group member, the execution of the merging protocols is changed by impeding the processing of a merging request by such a member after all precedent reception requests which are being held are processed.

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Publication Language: English Filing Language: English

Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description

Claims

Fulltext Word Count: 6955

English Abstract

An apparatus, clustered computer system, program product and method rely on cluster-private group names (42) to perform accesses to groups that are resident in a clustered computer system. Thus, for a cluster-accessible group, all nodes (46) capable of participating in a cluster are configured to map to the same cluster-private group name (42) for that group, so that any external user that has access to the clustered computer system can access the group names (42) and utilize the group name (42) to initiate operations by the group.

French Abstract

L'invention concerne un appareil, un systeme informatique en grappe, un produit programme et un procede base sur des noms de groupes prives en grappe (42) pour donner acces aux groupes residents d'un systeme informatique en grappe. Ainsi, pour un groupe accessible en grappe, tous les noeuds (46) capables de participer dans une grappe sont configures pour etre mis en correspondance avec le meme nom de groupe prive en grappe (42) de ce groupe, de telle maniere que n'importe quel utilisateur externe ayant acces au systeme informatique en grappe puisse acceder aux noms de groupe (42) et utiliser le nom de groupe (42) pour initier des fonctionnements par le groupe.

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Claims

Fulltext Word Count: 3632

English Abstract

A modem is implemented as a virtual device driver with all processing handled by the host computer thus obviating the need for a stand alone processor for the modem. The modem virtual device driver ensures that the modem obtains adequate processing time regardless of other processes running on the host. By combining a port driver directly into the modem contact code, the need for a hardware UART with its attendant limitations is eliminated.

French Abstract

La presente invention concerne un modem mis en oeuvre sous forme de pilote de peripherique virtuel et pour lequel tout le traitement est effectue par l'ordinateur hote, de facon qu'il n'y ait plus besoin de processeur autonome pour le modem. Le modem pilote de peripherique virtuel fait en sorte que le modem obtienne un temps de traitement approprie, quels que soient les autres processus en cours d'execution au niveau de l'hote. En combinant un pilote de port directement dans le code de contact du modem, on n'est plus limite par un emetteur-recepteur asynchrone universel realise par materiel.

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WPI Acc No: 2003-743540/200370 Related WPI Acc No: 2001-564589

XRPX Acc No: N03-595429

Predefined task processing apparatus in networked computer system used in bank, routes message intended for work thread, to one of response queue and work queue of work thread, depending on type of message

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: MILLER R ; MOREY V L ; THAYIB K ; WILLIAMS L A

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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US 6625639 B1 20030923 US 99421585 A 19991020 200370 B
US 99438207 A 19991112

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 99438207 A 19991112; US 99421585 A 19991020

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

US 6625639 B1 14 G06F-009/00 CIP of application US 99421585

Abstract (Basic): US 6625639 B1

NOVELTY - A job stored in a memory and executed by a processor, includes work thread to perform a predefined task and main thread to receive messages from other computer systems. The main thread routes a message intended for work thread, to one of the response queue and work queue of work thread, depending on type of message.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (1) networked computer system;
- (2) task processing method; and
- (3) program product for processing task.
- USE For processing predefined task between computer systems

 connected through local area network (LAN), wide area network, intranet and internet, in banks and industry.

ADVANTAGE - By routing the messages to different queues, the designing of protocol codes is made easier.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the flowchart explaining the updating process of local copy of group state data on a node in clustered computing environment.

pp; 14 DwgNo 11/11

Title Terms: PREDEFINED; TASK; PROCESS; APPARATUS; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; BANK; ROUTE; MESSAGE; INTENDED; WORK; THREAD; ONE; RESPOND; QUEUE; WORK; QUEUE; WORK; THREAD; DEPEND; TYPE; MESSAGE

Derwent Class: T01; W01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-009/00

File Segment: EPI

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WPI Acc No: 2003-743184/200370

XRPX Acc No: N03-595073

Survivor data information generating system, has computing device for processing demographic, financial and housing retirement data that is stored in memory and ESPlanner for determining sustainable standard of living

Patent Assignee: ECONOMIC SECURITY PLANNING INC (ECON-N)
Inventor: BERNHEIM B D; GOKHALE J; KOTLIKOFF L J; WILLIAMS L A
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:

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US 6611807 B1 20030826 US 9878435 P 19980318 200370 B
US 99268441 A 19990312

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 9878435 P 19980318; US 99268441 A 19990312

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes
US 6611807 B1 15 G06F-017/60 Provisional application US 9878435
Abstract (Basic): US 6611807 B1

NOVELTY - The system has a computing device for processing demographic, financial and housing retirement data stored in the memory and for optimizing survivor data. The data are a function of the tax liabilities, annual consumptions, non-asset income information, savings and life insurance recommendations, and are used by an ESPlanner to determine a sustainable standard of living for a household.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (a) a method of generating information representative of survivor data
- (b) a computer implemented method for determining a planned per equivalent adult consumption expense profile.

USE - Used for financial planning in households.

ADVANTAGE - The survivor reports generated by the ESPlanner help a householder to foresee an economic situation in which a spouse dies and enables them to afford a high standard of living that they enjoyed when both spouse were alive. The ESPlanner also determines how much a household is saving.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a flow diagram of a process for generating financial planning information including insurance purchase recommendations.

pp; 15 DwgNo 1/1

Title Terms: DATA; INFORMATION; GENERATE; SYSTEM; COMPUTATION; DEVICE; PROCESS; FINANCIAL; HOUSING; DATA; STORAGE; MEMORY; DETERMINE; SUSTAINED; STANDARD; LIVE
Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60 File Segment: EPI (Item 3 from file: 350) 7/5/8 DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2003 Thomson Derwent. All rts. reserv. **Image available** 015648388 WPI Acc No: 2003-710571/200367 XRPX Acc No: N03-568149 Self-starting method of computer system in decentralized clustered system, involves joining node assigned with self- starting state value into clustered system when presence of sponsor node is determined in Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC) Inventor: BLOCK T R; MILLER R; THAYIB K Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001 Patent Family: Week Applicat No Kind Date Patent No Kind Date 20020125 200367 B US 20030145050 A1 20030731 US 200257188 Α Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 200257188 A 20020125 Patent Details: Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes 12 G06F-015/16 US 20030145050 A1 Abstract (Basic): US 20030145050 A1 NOVELTY - The method involves initiating an automated discovery process of determining whether a sponsor node is present in the clustered computer system. If the sponsor node is present, a node assigned with a self-starting state value is joined into the clustered system. DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following: (1) computer program for starting computer system in decentralized system; and (2) computer system. USE - For performing self-starting of computer system in decentralized clustered computer system. ADVANTAGE - Enhances group communication, thereby providing a local state value to indicate whether the node has completed its starting protocol. DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the flowchart illustrating the self-starting method of computer system. pp; 12 DwgNo 3/5 Title Terms: SELF; START; METHOD; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; CLUSTER; SYSTEM; JOIN; NODE; ASSIGN; SELF; START; STATE; VALUE; CLUSTER; SYSTEM; PRESENCE; NODE; DETERMINE; SYSTEM Derwent Class: T01 International Patent Class (Main): G06F-015/16 File Segment: EPI 7/5/9 (Item 4 from file: 350) DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2003 Thomson Derwent. All rts. reserv.

Image available 015625911 WPI Acc No: 2003-688082/200365 XRPX Acc No: N03-549675 Network data sending method, involves storing identifier that is

generated at lowest protocol layer of computer in reserved space of header and sending data with header from one protocol layer to other

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: BLOCK T R; MILLER R

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:
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US 20030115356 A1 20030619 US 200120382 A 20011214 200365 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 200120382 A 20011214

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

US 20030115356 A1 11 G06F-015/16

Abstract (Basic): US 20030115356 A1

NOVELTY - The method involves attaching headers to the data at their respective protocol layer of the computers and reserving a header space in them for storing an identifier. The data is then sent along with the headers from the protocol layer to its respective protocol layer of other computer over a network. In the recipient computer, the headers are removed from the data and stored in the space reserved for them in the header.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{USE}}$ - $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Used}}$ for information communication between hosts, such as computers connected to a network.

ADVANTAGE - The addition of identifier at the header facilitates the tracing of data as it is processed through the protocol layers and also eliminates the difficulty of debugging process when data is lost. DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a hierarchical

structure of a data communication protocol.

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Title Terms: NETWORK; DATA; SEND; METHOD; STORAGE; IDENTIFY; GENERATE; LOW; PROTOCOL; LAYER; COMPUTER; RESERVE; SPACE; HEADER; SEND; DATA; HEADER; ONE; PROTOCOL; LAYER

Derwent Class: T01; W01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-015/16

File Segment: EPI

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XRPX Acc No: N03-531542

A method of storing temporally consecutive values of at least one data item in a memory segment that can not be overwritten for small computing applications, uses sequential and bridging pointers

Patent Assignee: SHARP KK (SHAF)

Inventor: KAY A; MILLER R

Number of Countries: 102 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

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GB 2386212 A 20030910 GB 20025573 A 20020309 200363 B
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Abstract (Basic): GB 2386212 A

NOVELTY - A method of storing temporally consecutive values in a

memory that can not be overwritten comprises storing data as sets, each of which has two pointers, a local pointer and a far pointer, to enable chains to be established. The local, sequential, pointer is written to the data set immediately preceding the current set and the far, bridging, pointer to a data set earlier in the chain, both point to the current set.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for an apparatus for storing temporally consecutively values of at least one data item.

USE - For use in small computing applications, such as embedded systems, including smart cards such as Java cards, digital active storage or security devices such as smart cards and smart discs, SIMS and USIMs for mobile telephones, data logging devices, small devices which record user preferences, store settings or log usage, computer systems in vehicles, set-top boxes and internet routers.

ADVANTAGE - The use of sequential and bridging pointers allows the chain to be shortened by jumping or bridging intermediate data sets facilitating the use of flash memory which has slow erase times and may rapidly wear out with repeated erasure required to the data in the same location each time it changes.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure illustrates the initial part of a Persistent Data Item (PDI) structure after a large number of updates.

pp; 32 DwgNo 2/8

Title Terms: METHOD; STORAGE; TEMPORAL; CONSECUTIVE; VALUE; ONE; DATA; ITEM; MEMORY; SEGMENT; CAN; COMPUTATION; APPLY; SEQUENCE; BRIDGE; POINT Derwent Class: T01

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XRPX Acc No: N03-406907

Cluster infrastructure version updating method in clustered computer system, involves notifying updated information about clustered infrastructure, to group

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC

Inventor: DERVIN J A; MILLER R; WILLIAMS L A Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001975442 A 20011011 Patent Details:

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Abstract (Basic): US 20030074426 A1

NOVELTY - The cluster infrastructure in individual nodes are updated, while maintaining the groups managing the jobs performed by each node, in active state and is notified to the groups. The cluster infrastructure version used by the group, is dynamically updated in response to the notification.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (1) cluster infrastructure version updating apparatus;
- (2) cluster infrastructure version updating program; and
- (3) clustered computer system.
- USE For updating a cluster infrastructure version by a group

resident in clustered computer system (claimed) which includes multiple nodes.

ADVANTAGE - Updates the clustered infrastructure version, without any shutdown and restarting of the group, thereby increasing the system availability.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a flowchart explaining the cluster infrastructure updating method.

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Title Terms: CLUSTER; VERSION; UPDATE; METHOD; CLUSTER; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; NOTIFICATION; UPDATE; INFORMATION; CLUSTER; GROUP

Derwent Class: T01

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File Segment: EPI

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015378878 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 2003-439816/200341

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Co-operative job rejoining method for clustered computer system, involves determining whether job is existing job of primary-backup group of system Patent Assignee: LASCHKEWITSCH C G (LASC-I); MILLER R (MILL-I); MOREY V L (MORE-I); WILLIAMS L A (WILL-I)

Inventor: LASCHKEWITSCH C G; MILLER R; MOREY V L; WILLIAMS L A Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

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US 20030056013 A1 20030320 US 2001952392 A 20010914 200341 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001952392 A 20010914 Patent Details: Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes US 20030056013 A1 12 G06F-015/16

Abstract (Basic): US 20030056013 A1

NOVELTY - The method involves determining whether a co-operative job (j5) is an existing job of a primary-backup group overwrite operation by which a replicated group state data of the job is overwritten, is selected based on the determined result.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{USE}}$ - For rejoining of job into primary backup group for clustered computer system.

 ${\tt ADVANTAGE}$ - <code>Enables</code> completion of the required job and ensures synchronization of the group state data.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the block diagram of the clustered computer system.

co-operative job (j5)

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Title Terms: CO; OPERATE; JOB; REJOIN; METHOD; CLUSTER; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; DETERMINE; JOB; EXIST; JOB; PRIMARY; GROUP; SYSTEM

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-015/16

File Segment: EPI

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015354994 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2003-415932/200339
Related WPI Acc No: 1998-414313
XRPX Acc No: N03-331441

Progressive jackpot participant authorization method involves comparing

. validation code of gaming ticket with list of legitimate validation codes, to determine validity of gaming ticket

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Inventor: DIETZ M J; MILLER R ; MORRIS E D

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 99390253 A 19990903; US 97786005 A 19970121

Patent Details:

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B1 18 G06F-007/08 CIP of application US 97786005 US 6527175

CIP of patent US 5949042

Abstract (Basic): US 6527175 B1

NOVELTY - A gaming ticket comprises a validation code which is a unique identification of the gaming ticket. The progressive jackpot is increased, each time when the ticket is inserted into a validation machine. A processor compares the unique validation code of the ticket with a list of legitimate validation codes, to determine the validity of the ticket, and accordingly the validation machine displays the game result.

USE - For authorizing progressive jackpot of participants.

ADVANTAGE - Gaming tickets can be used to win some or all of a progressive jackpot which continues to increase until claimed by a winner. The validation machines at one location can be linked with validation machines at other locations, to allow players to complete for large progressive jackpots.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a flowchart for the sequence of play using the pull-tab validation machine.

pp; 18 DwgNo 6/10

Title Terms: PROGRESS; PARTICIPATING; AUTHORISE; METHOD; COMPARE; VALID; CODE; GAME; TICKET; LIST; VALID; CODE; DETERMINE; VALID; GAME; TICKET Derwent Class: P36; T01; T05; W04

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-007/08

File Segment: EPI; EngPI

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015319508 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 2003-380443/200336

XRPX Acc No: N03-303846

Membership management method in distributed computer system, involves providing set of interfaces which when invoked by request of requester cause members of group to access their respective copy of domain

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: LASCHKEWITSCH C G; MILLER R; MOREY V L; WILLIAMS L A Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Applicat No Patent No Kind Date Kind Date Week US 20030028594 A1 20030206 US 2001918746 A 20010731 200336 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001918746 A 20010731

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes US 20030028594 A1 13 G06F-015/16

Abstract (Basic): US 20030028594 A1

NOVELTY - A domain indicating all members of a cluster with a membership to a group, is provided to each member of the group. A set of interfaces are provided to manage the membership of the group, such that when an interface is invoked by a request of a requester, each member of the group is caused to access its respective copy of the domain to determine whether the requester is indicated with the respective copy of the domain.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (1) computer system;
- (2) method of managing membership of jobs in cluster; and
- (3) memory of node in cluster.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{USE}}$ - For managing membership of members in a cluster of computers that is distributed computer system.

ADVANTAGE - Allows membership within a group of a cluster to be determined and managed effectively.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the hardware configuration for one node in the clustered computer system.

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Title Terms: MEMBER; MANAGEMENT; METHOD; DISTRIBUTE; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; SET; INTERFACE; INVOKE; REQUEST; CAUSE; MEMBER; GROUP; ACCESS; RESPECTIVE; COPY; DOMAIN

Derwent Class: T01; W01

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015319287 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2003-380222/200336

XRPX Acc No: N03-303631

Media content playback device for audio/video system, enables playback of media content at predetermined time, only after delivery of media content

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COMMUNICATION GROUP (PEGA-N)

Inventor: ACQUESTA D J; CASSIN L; MILLER R ; PELLEGRINO D A; RENN L A;
ACQUESTA D; PELLEGRINO D; RENN L

Number of Countries: 100 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week US 20030023427 A1 20030130 US 2001912408 A 20010726 200336 B WO 200310634 A2 20030206 WO 2002US23713 A 20020726 200336

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001912408 A 20010726 Patent Details:

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Designated States (Regional): AT BE BG CH CY CZ DE DK EA EE ES FI FR GB GH GM GR IE IT KE LS LU MC MW MZ NL OA PT SD SE SK SL SZ TR TZ UG ZM ZW

Abstract (Basic): US 20030023427 A1

NOVELTY - The processor (150) controls the playback of media content delivered asynchronously over the communication channel (130). The playback of media content is enabled at a predetermined time only after the delivery of media content.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (1) media content delivery and playback scheme providing system;
- (2) computer program product for delivering media content; and

(3) media content delivery and playback scheme implementation method.

USE - For delivering media content to audio and video systems and to remote devices e.g. cellular phone.

ADVANTAGE - Enables the automatic delivery of disrupted data without delivering data that has already successfully delivered to the remote device.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a schematic view media content delivery and playback scheme implementing system.

communication channel (130)

processor (150)

pp; 44 DwgNo 1/23

Title Terms: MEDIUM; CONTENT; PLAYBACK; DEVICE; AUDIO; VIDEO; SYSTEM; ENABLE; PLAYBACK; MEDIUM; CONTENT; PREDETERMINED; TIME; AFTER; DELIVER; MEDIUM; CONTENT

Derwent Class: P86; T01; W01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-000/00; G10L-021/00

File Segment: EPI; EngPI

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015269885 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2003-330814/200331

XRPX Acc No: N03-264918

Color management user interface controller for use in color management system, presents relation indicators indicating color relation between color entities represented by representations

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Inventor: FORTIN R; FRANZBLAU D E; HASANAIN Y; KYRNYCHNYY V; MILLER R; SAMMON S J

Number of Countries: 002 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

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US 20030016230 A1 20030123 US 2001965237 A 20010927 200331 B
CA 2353390 A1 20030120 CA 2353390 A 20010720 200331

Priority Applications (No Type Date): CA 2353390 A 20010720

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

US 20030016230 A1 16 G09G-005/02

CA 2353390 A1 E G06F-003/00

Abstract (Basic): US 20030016230 A1

NOVELTY - A representation controller presents representation of each color entity. A relation indicator controller presents one or more relation indicators indicating color relation between the color entities represented by the representations.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

- (1) color management system;
- (2) color management assistant method;
- (3) computer program product for color management;
- (4) computer-readable memory element storing color management program; and
- (5) electronic signals for executing color management assistants method.

USE - Color management user interface controller for use in color management system.

ADVANTAGE - Allows users to easily manage colors of several color devices and color spaces.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the user interface.

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Title Terms: COLOUR; MANAGEMENT; USER; INTERFACE; CONTROL; COLOUR; MANAGEMENT; SYSTEM; PRESENT; RELATED; INDICATE; INDICATE; COLOUR; RELATED; COLOUR; ENTITY; REPRESENT; REPRESENT

Derwent Class: P85; T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-003/00; G09G-005/02 International Patent Class (Additional): G06K-015/00; G06T-001/00;

G09G-005/06

File Segment: EPI; EngPI

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015078240 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 2003-138758/200313

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Failed node shutdown method in clustered computer system, involves shutting down jobs associated with failed node in one control group and preemptively terminating associated jobs in other control groups

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: BLOCK T R; MILLER R; THAYIB K

Number of Countries: 002 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

CA 2376351

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001827804 A 20010406 Patent Details: Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes US 20020145983 A1 11 H04L-012/28 A1 E G06F-011/00

Abstract (Basic): US 20020145983 A1

NOVELTY - A failure in a particular node within clustered computer system, is detected by a cluster control group associated with the node. Jobs associated with the failed node, are shutdown to terminate clustering within the failed node. Jobs associated with the failed node in other cluster control groups, are preemptively terminated before detection of the failure by the groups.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

- (1) Clustered failed node terminating apparatus;
- (2) Clustered computer system; and
- (3) Computer program product for terminating failed node.

USE - For shutting down failed nodes in clustered computer systems (claimed) in OS/400 clustering environment.

ADVANTAGE - By shutting down the operations associated with the failed node, dependency failovers are permitted to occur in an automated fashion. Also by preemtively terminating associated jobs in other cluster control groups, termination of clustering on the node is initiated in an orderly and efficient manner.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the block diagram of the clustered computer system.

pp; 11 DwgNo 1/3

Title Terms: FAIL; NODE; METHOD; CLUSTER; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; SHUT; DOWN; JOB ; ASSOCIATE; FAIL; NODE; ONE; CONTROL; GROUP; TERMINATE; ASSOCIATE; JOB; CONTROL; GROUP

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-011/00; H04L-012/28

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File Segment: EPI

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015014850 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 2003-075367/200307

XRPX Acc No: N03-058406

Group access method for clustered computer system, involves processing access request that identifies cluster-private group name of group to initiate group operation

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)
Inventor: MILLER R; MOREY V L; WILLIAMS L A

Number of Countries: 097 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
US 20020161768 A1 20021031 US 2001845596 A 20010430 200307 B
WO 200288992 A1 20021107 WO 2001US47260 A 20011211 200307

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Abstract (Basic): US 20020161768 A1

NOVELTY - An access request that identifies a cluster-private group name associated with a group is received on one node. The access request on the node is processed to initiate a group operation that map with the identified cluster group.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

- (1) Group access apparatus;
- (2) Clustered computer system; and
- (3) Program product for group accessing.

USE - For accessing group in clustered computer system (claimed).

ADVANTAGE - Since the access request is processed, the external access to groups in clustered computer system is improved. Also unauthorized access of groups are prevented.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the flowchart explaining the sequence of accessing group in clustered computer system.

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Title Terms: GROUP; ACCESS; METHOD; CLUSTER; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; PROCESS; ACCESS; REQUEST; IDENTIFY; CLUSTER; PRIVATE; GROUP; NAME; GROUP; INITIATE; GROUP; OPERATE

Derwent Class: T01; W01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-007/00; G06F-017/00

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XRPX Acc No: N03-052065

Node restarting method for clustered computer system, involves initiating restart of failing node by computer of secondary node, in response to membership change request

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: DERVIN J A; MILLER R; MOREY V L; THAYIB K

Number of Countries: 002 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

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US 20020133727 A1 20020919 US 2001809408 A 20010315 200306 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001809408 A 20010315 Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes US 20020133727 A1 11 G06F-001/26

CA 2372884 A1 E G06F-015/16

Abstract (Basic): US 20020133727 A1

NOVELTY - A membership change request is issued to a computer in the secondary node, by the computer in a failing node. A restart of the failing node is initiated by the computer of the secondary node, in response to the request.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

- (1) Node restarting apparatus;
- (2) Clustered computer system; and
- (3) Program product for node restarting.

USE - For clustered computer system (claimed).

ADVANTAGE - Enables efficient and reliable node restart operations without operator intervention. Provides greater reliability, adaptability and improved system performance, by initiating restart of the failing node by the computer in the secondary node.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the block diagram of clustered computer system.

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Title Terms: NODE; RESTART; METHOD; CLUSTER; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; INITIATE; RESTART; FAIL; NODE; COMPUTER; SECONDARY; NODE; RESPOND; MEMBER; CHANGE; REQUEST

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-001/26; G06F-015/16

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System for processing input data to generate output data for predicting intrinsic viscosity degradation of material, has output module for outputting output data having data about chemical product, function or service

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Inventor: BASSETT J G; BURGESS W J; DANTULURI S S; DICKERSON J P; DONELSON
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; MARSH S J; MERCER J W; MILLER R; QUILLEN B J; STEWART M E; BASSETT J;
BURGESS W; DANTULURI S; DICKERSON J; DONELSON M; FISCHER D; GOLOB D; GOTT
S; JACKSON W; LYONS S; MARK S; MARSH S; MERCER J; QUILLEN B

Number of Countries: 097 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

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US 20020129004 A1 20020912 US 2000247537 P 20001109 200304 B

US 2001300510 P 20010622 US 200139482 A 20011109

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IE IT KE LS LU MC MW MZ NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TR TZ UG ZW

Abstract (Basic): US 20020129004 A1

NOVELTY - A system for processing input data to generate output data, has an input module for accepting input, a processing module and an output module for outputting output data to an user. The output data comprises data relating to a chemical product, function or service.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

- (1) method of generating output data useful for a specific purpose, which involves inputting data into the processing module and processing the input data to generate output data; and
- (2) a computer-readable medium which has a computer executable instructions for processing data. The computer readable medium has a computer program code for receiving input data from a user and a computer program code for processing input data and generating output data.

USE - Used in chemical industry for calculating resin for coatings, inks and adhesive applications, for predicting standard adhesive properties for component blend, for predicting intrinsic viscosity degradation of material, for estimating portion costs of injection molded material, for calculating melt viscosity of material, for calculating theoretical strain which occurs when snap-fit latch if deflected, for calculating minimum coolant flow rate which is needed to achieve turbulent flow in component, for calculating oxygen ingress, for calculating inhibitor recommendation, for calculating plasticizer formulation, for calculating amount of anti-oxidant and for calculating solvent reformulation.

ADVANTAGE - The system facilitates commerce between and among members of chemical industry. The system helps customer in product selection, product design, and/or troubleshooting without utilizing human intervention. The system provides product design services to market their products and illustrates their product's use to customers. The system performs analysis and optimization without manual intervention.

<code>DESCRIPTION</code> OF <code>DRAWING(S)</code> - The figure shows the block diagram illustrating the input and output of the polyester resin calculation using the system for processing input data to generate output data.

pp; 98 DwgNo 3A/20
Title Terms: SYSTEM; PROCESS; INPUT; DATA; GENERATE; OUTPUT; DATA; PREDICT;
INTRINSIC; VISCOSITY; DEGRADE; MATERIAL; OUTPUT; MODULE; OUTPUT; DATA; DATA; CHEMICAL; PRODUCT; FUNCTION; SERVICE

Derwent Class: A31; A89; T01

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· Peer protocol status determination method for clustered computer system, involves providing tracked protocol progress information of each member in response to query directed to selected member

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: MILLER R

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

US 20020073153 A1 10 G06F-015/16

Abstract (Basic): US 20020073153 A1

NOVELTY - Protocol progress information of each member of a group in a clustered computer system, is locally tracked. The tracked progress information is transmitted in response to a query directed to the selected members.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

- (1) Protocol status determination apparatus;
- (2) Clustered computer system;
- (3) Computer program product for peer protocol status determination.

USE - For determining peer protocol status in clustered computer system (claimed).

ADVANTAGE - Faults in the clustered computer system are monitored easily.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the flowchart illustrating the program flow of the acknowledgement message reception routine executed by a node to locally track the protocol progress information of a clustered computer system.

pp; 10 DwgNo 5/6

Title Terms: PEER; PROTOCOL; STATUS; DETERMINE; METHOD; CLUSTER; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; TRACK; PROTOCOL; PROGRESS; INFORMATION; MEMBER; RESPOND; QUERY; DIRECT; SELECT; MEMBER

Derwent Class: T01; W01

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Intelligent document linking system e.g. for Internet, which creates hypertext links for any select or all proper nouns in an Internet document within the observed site, prior to displaying the document or page to the user

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MILLER R (MILL-I); PROQUEST CO (PROQ-N)

Inventor: HEPP D; KASSAL P; LAFAVERS D; MILLER R; HEEP D

Number of Countries: 021 Number of Patents: 002

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Abstract (Basic): WO 200261627 A2

NOVELTY - System creates hypertext links for all or select proper nouns found in a document or web page on the Internet or world wide web. The system identifies key terms in a requested document or web page, such as a person or company name, cities, states, and other proper nouns within the natural language text, and marks these terms as hypertext links which when selected offer additional information for that item obtained from information collected and maintained in a knowledge base.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:method of creating hyperlinks

USE - For Internet.

ADVANTAGE - Eliminates the need for having to leave the site and initiate a new search or condensing the current one.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The diagram shows the invention Apache web server/cache and security (13)

proxy server (14) link engine (16)

pp; 26 DwgNo 1/5

Title Terms: INTELLIGENCE; DOCUMENT; LINK; SYSTEM; LINK; SELECT; PROPER;

DOCUMENT; OBSERVE; SITE; PRIOR; DISPLAY; DOCUMENT; PAGE; USER

Derwent Class: T01

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014179061 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2001-663289/200176

XRPX Acc No: N01-494202

Dental treatment planning system for orthodontists, validates dental patient data input in predetermined sequence

Patent Assignee: ALIGN TECHNOLOGY INC (ALIG-N)

Inventor: KUO E; MILLER R ; TROSIEN A

Number of Countries: 094 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week WO 200182192 A1 20011101 WO 2001US13277 A 20010424 200176 B 20011107 AU 200155655 AU 200155655 Α Α 20010424 200219

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AU 200155655 A G06F-017/60 Based on patent WO 200182192

Abstract (Basic): WO 200182192 Al

NOVELTY - An engine receives input dental patient data and validates the patient data in a predetermined sequence.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (a) Virtual health care treatment system;
- (b) Dental treatment planning method

 ${\tt USE}$ - For treating professionals such as dentists, orthodontists, oral surgeons.

ADVANTAGE - Since the engine receives and validates patient data, accuracy and validity of diagnosis and treatment plan are improved, conflicting diagnoses are eliminated, better plan is redeveloped using data, placement of implantations are visualized, cost and delay are reduced.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the flowchart of dental treatment planning process.

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Title Terms: DENTAL; TREAT; PLAN; SYSTEM; VALID; DENTAL; PATIENT; DATA; INPUT; PREDETERMINED; SEQUENCE

Derwent Class: S05; T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

File Segment: EPI

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014080375 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2001-564589/200163
Related WPI Acc No: 2003-743540

XRPX Acc No: N01-420282

Task sharing apparatus for networked computer systems, has job which processes the protocol to determine the received message without using any timer

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: MILLER R

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001780196 A 20010209; US 99421585 A 19991020; US 99438207 A 19991112

Patent Details:

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US 20010013057 A1 17 G06F-015/16 CIP of application US 99421585
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Abstract (Basic): US 20010013057 A1

NOVELTY - A memory stores the job, which processes the protocol having data message and acknowledge (ACK) round. The job functions according to the receiver logic uses ACK round having a time bench mark for determining that the received message without using any timer.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (a) Computer implemented method for processing protocol;
- (b) Program product;
- (c) Networked computer system

 \mbox{USE} - For use in networked computer systems (claimed) e.g. for internet, LAN, WAN.

ADVANTAGE - The receiver can receive message without using timers, since protocol and receiver logic are defined in particular way.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the flow diagram explaining the method for processing the protocol in pre-ACK case. pp; 17 DwgNo 14/15

Title Terms: TASK; SHARE; APPARATUS; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; JOB; PROCESS; PROTOCOL; DETERMINE; RECEIVE; MESSAGE; TIME

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-015/16

International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-015/173

File Segment: EPI

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012152054 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 1998-568966/199848

XRPX Acc No: N98-442632

Remote radio monitoring and control system for street lamps - has sensing unit on lamp to control switching and monitor operation and transceiver for status and control information

Patent Assignee: AL AIR DATA INC (ALAI-N); AL AIRDATA INC (ALAI-N);

WILLIAMS L (WILL-I)

Inventor: WILLIAMS L ; YOUNG M F; JONES H V
Number of Countries: 080 Number of Patents: 017
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Abstract (Basic): WO 9847120 A

The control system is used on street lamps to both switch them on and off, and to monitor their operational status. The street lamps are provided with a processing and sensing unit (412) that plugs into the lamp via a conventional twist lock three pronged plug. The processing unit provides for switching of power lines (280a,280b) to the street light power lines (280c,280d).

The processor can have a number of sensors. A light sensor (518) is used to control on/off switching due to ambient light levels. Other sensors can monitor the voltage and current supply to the lights. A radio transceiver (414,416) provides a status and control link via base stations.

ADVANTAGE - Provides centralised control and monitoring of street lights over large geographical areas.

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Title Terms: REMOTE; RADIO; MONITOR; CONTROL; SYSTEM; STREET; LAMP; SENSE;
 UNIT; LAMP; CONTROL; SWITCH; MONITOR; OPERATE; TRANSCEIVER; STATUS;
 CONTROL; INFORMATION
Derwent Class: W05; X26
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-011/00; G06F-015/00;
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International Patent Class (Additional): G08B-025/00; H01J-011/04
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XRPX Acc No: N98-422585
 Modem that operates without separate controller for computer - has
 virtual device driver, interfaced to operating system for managing
 communications over communications port and is utilised to provide
 adequate processing time ensuring modem functionality
Patent Assignee: CIRRUS LOGIC INC (CIRR-N); BADER J (BADE-I); DEANS S
  (DEAN-I); MILLER R (MILL-I); TARQUINI R P (TARQ-I); WANI B (WANI-I);
 WATERS J (WATE-I); INTEL CORP (ITLC )
Inventor: BADER J; DEANS S; MILLER R; TARQUINI R P; WANI B; WATERS J;
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Number of Countries: 025 Number of Patents: 006
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Abstract (Basic): WO 9844425 A

US 6353857

The system includes processor, an operating system running on the processor, and a virtual device driver, interfaced to the operating system, providing modem functionality for managing communications over a communications port. The virtual device driver is utilised to provide adequate processing time ensuring modem functionality. The processing time is controllable as to at least one of a frequency with which a slice of processing time is made available and a duration of the slice of processing time. The modem functionality includes at least one of fax services, voice services and data services. The virtual device driver is implemented in layers, including at least three of an operating system interface layer, a UART layer, a module layer, a module i/o layer, an interrupt layer and a physical layer. The virtual device driver includes a software layer emulating UART to UART

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communications.
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Title Terms: MODEM; OPERATE; SEPARATE; CONTROL; COMPUTER; VIRTUAL; DEVICE; DRIVE; INTERFACE; OPERATE; SYSTEM; MANAGE; COMMUNICATE; COMMUNICATE; PORT

; UTILISE; ADEQUATE; PROCESS; TIME; ENSURE; MODEM; FUNCTION

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-013/10; G06F-015/16;

G06F-015/76

International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-009/00; G06F-009/46

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010382572 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1995-283886/199537

XRPX Acc No: N95-216026

IC microcontroller for anti lock braking system - has main system clock monitored for correct performance and when failure occurs use is made of simple back up clock circuit to shut down system

Patent Assignee: NAT SEMICONDUCTOR CORP (NASC)

Inventor: MILLER R

Number of Countries: 003 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week WO 9521412 A1 19950810 WO 94US11586 A 19941012 199537 B EP 742919 A1 19961120 EP 94931824 A 19941012 199651

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 94191823 A 19940202

Cited Patents: 1.Jnl.Ref; US 4667328

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Designated States (Regional): DE FR GB

Abstract (Basic): WO 9521412 A

The microprocessor includes a backup clock circuit. The anti-lock braking system has a microprocessor and other systems driven from a system clock. This clock is input (510) to a clock monitor (520) that checks whether it conforms to the correct frequency and voltage ranges.

A backup clock (540) is provided. This is formed as a ring circuit of an odd number of invertors and can be fabricated entirely on a silicon chip. A multiplexer circuit (530) accepts a signal from the clock monitor and outputs (550) either the main clock or the backup clock.

ADVANTAGE - Allows anti-lock braking system to be brought to safe state using low cost backup clock circuit.

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Title Terms: IC; ANTI; LOCK; BRAKE; SYSTEM; MAIN; SYSTEM; CLOCK; MONITOR; CORRECT; PERFORMANCE; FAIL; OCCUR; MADE; SIMPLE; BACK; UP; CLOCK; CIRCUIT; SHUT; DOWN; SYSTEM

Derwent Class: Q18; T01; U13; X22

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-011/16

International Patent Class (Additional): B60T-008/88; G06F-001/04

File Segment: EPI; EngPI

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009932293 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1994-200004/199424

XRPX Acc No: N94-157377

Video gaming system for lottery games - has slave terminals enabling players to simultaneously request game plays from fixed pool stored in master processing unit

Patent Assignee: INFINATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES INC (INFI-N); OASIS TECHNOLOGIES

INC (OASI-N)

Inventor: DIETZ M J; MILLER R ; MORRIS E D; MILLER R A

Number of Countries: 046 Number of Patents: 014

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Abstract (Basic): WO 9412256 A

The system includes a master processing unit (14) storing at least one fixed pool of game plays. Each fixed pool includes a predetermined number of winning plays. Several slave terminals (16) are each coupled (20), pref. by LAN, to the master processing unit. Each slave terminal has a player controlled selection device, which operates to request games from the fixed pool.

Several players can simultaneously use the selection to purchase game plays from the pool. A central processor may generate the pools and supply them to several master processing units via a telephone link.

ADVANTAGE - Accessible to large number of people. Games can incorporate competition with other players to encourage skill and provoke excitement.

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Title Terms: VIDEO; GAME; SYSTEM; LOTS; GAME; SLAVE; TERMINAL; ENABLE; PLAY; SIMULTANEOUS; REQUEST; GAME; PLAY; FIX; POOL; STORAGE; MASTER; PROCESS;

Derwent Class: P36; T01; T05; W04

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Hardware implements texture mapping gradient calculator method - performing majority of map gradient calculations once per polygon to increase processing speed in graphics system

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Abstract (Basic): EP 447222 A

The method of calculates one texture map gradient at each display point. Texture values are identified for each vortex of an input polygon and are linearly interpolated over the polygon in perspective space to find corresponding values at each pixel within the polygon. Texture gradients are then calculated by defining vectors parallel and perpendicular to the horizon of the plane containing the polygon.

A texture map is accessed to determine the pre-filtered texture value for each point.

ADVANTAGE - Removes artifacts in texture mapped image at low cost

and high speed. (13pp Dwg.No.1/3) Title Terms: HARDWARE; IMPLEMENT; TEXTURE; MAP; GRADIENT; CALCULATE; METHOD ; PERFORMANCE; MAJORITY; MAP; GRADIENT; CALCULATE; PER; POLYGONAL; INCREASE; PROCESS; SPEED; GRAPHIC; SYSTEM Derwent Class: T01 International Patent Class (Main): G06F-015/72 File Segment: EPI (Item 25 from file: 350) 7/5/30 DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2003 Thomson Derwent. All rts. reserv. 008388294 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 1990-275295/199036 XRPX Acc No: N90-212896 Text to speech synthesis system - has parameter generator that converts formant allophone data derived from code book tables Patent Assignee: CENTIGRAM COMMUNICATIONS CORP (CENT-N); MALSHEEN B J (MALS-I); SPEECH PLUS INC (SPEE-N) Inventor: GRONER G F; MALSHEEN B J; WILLIAMS L D; GRONER G; WILLIAMS L Number of Countries: 015 Number of Patents: 006 Patent Family: Applicat No Kind Week Patent No Kind Date Date 19900823 199036 B WO 9009657 Α US 4979216 Α 19901218 US 89312692 Α 19890217 199102 EP 458859 Α 19911204 EP 90903452 A 19900202 199149 EP 458859 A4 19920520 EP 90903452 A 19900000 199522 Α B1 19970730 EP 90903452 19900202 199735 EP 458859 WO 90US528 Α 19900202 Ε 19970904 DE 631165 199741 DE 69031165 Α 19900202 EP 90903452 Α 19900202 WO 90US528 Α 19900202 Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 89312692 A 19890217 Cited Patents: US 4627001; US 4831654; 4.Jnl.Ref Patent Details: Main IPC Patent No Kind Lan Pg Filing Notes WO 9009657 Α Designated States (National): CA JP Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH DE DK ES FR GB IT LU NL SE EP 458859 Designated States (Regional): DE GB B1 E 30 G10L-005/04 Based on patent WO 9009657

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Abstract (Basic): WO 9009657 A

The text-to-speech synthesiser reads the text and uses the spelling to generate phonemes where appropriate, but uses a dictionary look-up where the spelling is misleading. The consonant allophones are generated in the usual way but the vowels also have their allophones chosen by their context. All known allophones for a given language are stored in a dictionary.

The storage is done by means of formant parameters to give efficient use of the memory, and the particular allophone to be used for a vowel is obtd. by computer-operated rules from the phoneme context. The resulting parameter string is fed to speech synthesis output.

ADVANTAGE - By choosing vowel as well as formant allophones the synthetic speech is made to sound more natural. (50pp Dwg.No.7/11) Title Terms: TEXT; SPEECH; SYNTHESIS; SYSTEM; PARAMETER; GENERATOR; CONVERT ; FORMANT; ALLOPHONE; DATA; DERIVATIVE; CODE; BOOK; TABLE

Derwent Class: P86; T01; W04

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WPI Acc No: 1989-131992/198918
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  Interface circuit between logic semiconductor and Ga-As semiconductor -
  employs compliant voltage shifters, each incorporating capacitor with
  sink and shunt resistors, and feedback
Patent Assignee: GIGABIT LOGIC INC (GIGA-N)
Inventor: CLARK J E; EDEN R C; FIEDLER A S; LEE F S C; MILLER R
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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 87113944 A 19871028
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EP 314476
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Abstract (Basic): EP 314476 A
        The logic inputs of a GaAs IC are stabilised at levels compatible
    with ECL silicon ICs by use of compliant voltage shiftens. The latter
    empty a diode capacitor reverse biassed by a current sink trickle
    current and a parallel diode wiht series and shunt resistors. Such
    voltage shifters (34) are provided for all the logic inputs and for an
    extra input (18) held at a potential VBB. The shifters are biassed by
    identical FETs having the same gate potential (VFBT). The threshold
    voltages of all the inputs are maintained at the value VBB by a
    feedback circuit. The latter includes cascaded input and internal gates
    (40, 42) and a filter (51, 53) to inhibit oscillation.
        USE - Provides a stable interface between ECL and GaAs ICs despite
    temperature and power supply fluctuation.
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Title Terms: INTERFACE; CIRCUIT; LOGIC; SEMICONDUCTOR; SEMICONDUCTOR;
  EMPLOY; COMPLIANT; VOLTAGE; SHIFT; INCORPORATE; CAPACITOR; SINK; SHUNT;
  RESISTOR; FEEDBACK
Derwent Class: U21
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  Digital logic equipment with redundant devices - has synchronism-checking
  device to detect absence of synchronism during comparable operations
Patent Assignee: STRATUS COMPUTER INC (STRA-N)
Inventor: WILLIAMS L ; WILLIAMS J L
Number of Countries: 013 Number of Patents: 007
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Cited Patents: No-SR.Pub; DE 2636352; EP 75278; US 3864670; US 4251873; US 4358823; WO 8504498

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Abstract (Basic): EP 349539 A

In digital logic apparatus (10) having a clock element (16) and having first and second digital processors (12,14) arranged for normally operating concurrently with corresponding logic operation and with selected synchronism relative to said clock element (16), the improvement comprising means (22;42,43,44) for detecting corresponding logic operation of said first and second processors, and failure detecting means (22) in circuit with said means (22;42,43,44) for detecting corresponding logic operation with said clock element and with said first and second processors, and detecting the absence of said synchronism during corresponding logic operation of said first and second processors (12,14). (Dwg.1/4)

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If the two processors become unsynchronised because, for example, on receives an additional false clock signal or fails to respond to a timing signal, each processor can continue to produce a pair of synchronised T-out signals from respective flip-flops. However, the C-OK signals and D-OK signals on conductors through true are out of synchronism because of the lack of lock-step synchronism between the processors.

The respective exclusive OR gate no longer produces a signal representing agreement between C, D signals.

ADVANTAGE - Loss of prescribed synchronism in operation of two or more digital logic devices is able to be detected even when each is indicating that it is operating correctly, improved fault tolerance.

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Title Terms: DIGITAL; LOGIC; EQUIPMENT; REDUNDANT; DEVICE; SYNCHRONISATION; CHECK; DEVICE; DETECT; ABSENCE; SYNCHRONISATION; COMPARE; OPERATE Index Terms/Additional Words: CPU

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METHOD AND DEVICE FOR MANAGING MULTICLUSTER-CONSTITUTED COMPUTER SYSTEM

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ABSTRACT

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To efficiently manage a complicated set of high-availability resources by allowing a cluster system to support the resource group fail-over between two arbitrary nodes in a large-scale clusters of 2 nodes.

SOLUTION: A cluster computer system 200 is provided so as to actualize the high availability of an NT-server-based application and Microsoft cluster service (MSCS) supports a fail-over function in a cluster of two nodes 202 and 204 and a common disk 208. If a resource gets out of order, MSCS restarts the faulty resource on a local node or moves the resource group to another node. Two nodes in the MSCS cluster have mutual heart beats 206, and if one node gets out of order, all resource groups are restarted on remaining nodes. After this fail-over event, the system is initialized.

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DIALOG(R) File 347: JAPIO

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06608873 **Image available**

ASYNCHRONOUS I/O HIGHLY AVAILABLE IN CLUSTER COMPUTER SYSTEM

PUB. NO.: 2000-194678 [JP 2000194678 A]

PUBLISHED: July 14, 2000 (20000714)
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APPLICANT(s): SUN MICROSYST INC

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PRIORITY: 190664 [US 98190664], US (United States of America), November

12, 1998 (19981112)

INTL CLASS: G06F-015/177; G06F-013/00

ABSTRACT

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a system which enables an I/O request to progress when a primary server that is processing the I/O request has a failure and a secondary server takes over the primary server.

SOLUTION: This system enables an I/O request to progress when a primary server 106 that processes the I/O request has a **failure** and a secondary server 108 takes over the server 106. Then the system includes a step where the I/O request is received from a **client** application that is driving on a **client**, a process where a parameter is stored for the I/O request on the **client**, a process where the I/O request is sent to the server 106, a step where the **client** application can be continuously executed while the I/O request is being processed and a step where the I/O request is retried

to the server 108 by means of the I/O request parameter stored on the client if the server 106 has a failure after the I/O request is sent to the server 106 and before an I/O request end indicator returns from the server 106.

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06050909 **Image available**
CLIENT FAULT DETECTING METHOD

PUB. NO.: 10-334009 [JP 10334009 A] PUBLISHED: December 18, 1998 (19981218)

INVENTOR(s): ENOMOTO YOSHIHIRO

APPLICANT(s): NEC CORP [000423] (A Japanese Company or Corporation), JP

(Japan)

APPL. NO.: 09-138625 [JP 97138625] FILED: May 28, 1997 (19970528)

INTL CLASS: [6] G06F-013/00; G06F-013/00; G06F-011/30

JAPIO CLASS: 45.2 (INFORMATION PROCESSING -- Memory Units); 45.1

(INFORMATION PROCESSING -- Arithmetic Sequence Units)

ABSTRACT

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To improve the reliability by attaining the avoidance of secondary problem occurrence in system operation by speedily detecting fault occurrence in its early stages, by judging the occurrence of a fauly at a client computer when there is no response from a client process designated by an IP address corresponding to an under-operation diagnostic command.

SOLUTION: When starting a server process corresponding to a processing request from the side of client, the IP address of present station is reported from each client to a server (step S301). The under-operation diagnostic command is issued at a fixed time interval to the client designated by the IP address sent by report processing at the started server process (step S302) and it is monitored whether the client enables communication or not. When there is an answer to the under-operation diagnostic command from the side of client, the processing of under-operation diagnostic command is repeated but when no normal response to the under-operation diagnostic command can be provided from the side of client, abnormal end processing is performed on the side of server (step S303).

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DIALOG(R)File 347: JAPIO
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04400193 **Image available**

SYSTEM FOR CHANGING-OVER DOPLICATING DEVICE

PUB. NO.: 06-044093 [P 6044093 A] PUBLISHED: February 18, 1994 (19940218)

INVENTOR(s): MIZUGUCHI TADASHI YAMAMOTO TAKAAKI

APPLICANT(s): NEC CORP/[000423] (A Mapanese Company or Corporation), JP

(Japan)

NEC COMMUN SYST LTD [491066] (A Japanese Company or

Corporation), JP (Japan)

APPL. NO.: 04-079676 [JP 9279676]

FILED: April 01, 1992 (19920401)

INTL CLASS: [5] G06F-011/20; G06F-015/16

JAPIO CLASS: 45.1 (INFORMATION PROCESSING -- Arithmetic Sequence Units);

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04159416 **Image available**

SYSTEM FOR POINTING COMMUNICATION FAULT LOCATION

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INVENTOR(s): OMAE TETSUYA

APPLICANT(s): HOKURIKU NIPPON DENKI SOFTWARE KK [000000] (A Japanese

Company or Corporation), JP (Japan)

APPL. NO.: 03-311186 [JP 91311186] FILED: November 27, 1991 (19911127)

INTL CLASS: [5] G06F-013/00; H04\(\text{R}-017/00; H)\(\frac{4}{1}-012/24; H04\(\text{L}-012/26; \)

H04L-029/14

JAPIO CLASS: 45.2 (INFORMATION PROCESSING -- Memory Units); 44.2

(COMMUNICATION -- Transmission Systems); 44.3 (COMMUNICATION

-- Telegraphy)

JOURNAL: Section: P, Section No. 1623, Vol. 17, No. 546, Pg. 58,

September 30, 1993 (1993/930)

ABSTRACT

PURPOSE: To separately point the fault of a processor and that of a communication path in a network system consisting of >=3 processors.

CONSTITUTION: The diagnostic communication part 160 of a processor 100 performs the diagnostic communication to other processors 101 and 102. Meanwhile the diagnostic responding parts 141 and 142 send the responding communication to the processor 100 respectively. Receiving the response, the processor 100 records the presence or absence of responses to a matrix flag 180 and sends a start flag 200 to the processor 101 selected by a next diagnostic processor selector means 220 for recording a fact that the information on the flag 180 is diagnosed. The processor 101 carried out the preceding processing. By repeating these operations, a fault location pointing part 190 detects a fault. Thus the fault of a processor can be surely discriminated from the fault of a communication path.

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DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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015067297 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2003-127813/200312

XRPX Acc No: N03-101443

Computer system reconfiguring method involves testing physical drive on communication channel and removing inquiring node from node cluster if testing is successful

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: GNANASIVAM G; ROWLANDS M B

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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US 2000547000 A 20000411

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2000518479 A 20000303; US 2000547000 A 20000411

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

US 6460149 B1 46 G06F-011/00 Cont of application US 2000518479

Abstract (Basic): US 6460149 B1

NOVELTY - A pair of **nodes** in a **node** cluster have **node** controllers (220a,220b) connected through a communication channel. The inquiring **node** detects channel **failure** and tests a physical drive on the channel. The inquiring mode removes user from cluster or issues

 an instruction to cause the recovering node to be removed if testing is unsuccessful or successful respectively.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

- (1) Computer readable medium storing computer system reconfiguring program; and
 - (2) Computer system.

USE - For reconfiguring computer system (claimed).

ADVANTAGE - Since the controller of one **node** detects the **failure** of other **node**, the **node failure** can be detected accurately and at a minimal time.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure illustrates the physical view of the two ${\bf node}$ ${\bf cluster}$ ${\bf computer}$ ${\bf system}$.

Node controllers (220a,220b) pp; 46 DwgNo 2/23

Title Terms: COMPUTER; SYSTEM; METHOD; TEST; PHYSICAL; DRIVE; COMMUNICATE; CHANNEL; REMOVE; NODE; NODE; CLUSTER; TEST; SUCCESS

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-011/00

File Segment: EPI

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DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX

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015029164 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 2003-089681/200308

XRPX Acc No: N03-070713

Service control method in cluster computer system, involves initializing shutdown or start-up sequences stored in shared memory based on detected service failure

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: KEUNG N S

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
US 6467050 B1 20021015 US 98152541 A 19980914 200308 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 98152541 A 19980914 Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes US 6467050 B1 17 H02H-003/05

Abstract (Basic): US 6467050 B1

NOVELTY - The registered set of services in a **cluster computer system** are monitored for detecting the **failure** of a service. Several shutdown and start-up sequences stored in a shared memory, are initialized based on the monitoring result.

 ${\tt DETAILED}$ <code>DESCRIPTION</code> - <code>INDEPENDENT</code> <code>CLAIMS</code> are included for the following:

- (1) Service management method;
- (2) Cluster computer system; and
- (3) **Computer** program product for implementing service management method.

USE - For controlling services e.g. e-mail program or spread sheet program in cluster computer system (claimed).

ADVANTAGE - Provides facility for starting, stopping and restarting of all services provided by cluster computer system. Enables necessary restart in the event of failure of services within the cluster computer system.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a flowchart explaining the service initializing process.

pp; 17 DwgNo 7A/13

Title Terms: SERVICE; CONTROL; METHOD; CLUSTER; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; INITIALISE; START; UP; SEQUENCE; STORAGE; SHARE; MEMORY; BASED; DETECT; SERVICE; FAIL

Derwent Class: T01 International Patent Class (Main): H02H-003/05 International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-012/00 File Segment: EPI (Item 7 from file: 350) 29/5/13 DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2003 Thomson Derwent. All rts. reserv. **Image available** 014884947 WPI Acc No: 2002-705653/200276 XRPX Acc No: N02-556244 Processing fault handling method in computer system, involves repeating detecting faults and initiating rexecution of instructions according to restart sequences which restarts without and with lag time Patent Assignee: CISCO TECHNOLOGY \INC (CISC-N) Inventor: SINGH D; WACLAWSKY J G Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001 Patent Family: Kind Applicat Wo Kind Date Week Patent No Date B1 20020917 US 99305947 A 19990506 200276 B US 6453430 Priority Applications (No Type Date): US \2930\2947 A 19990506 Patent Details: Main IPC Filing Notes Patent No Kind Lan Pg B1 20 G06F-011/00 US 6453430 Abstract (Basic): US 6453430 B1 NOVELTY - An execution of set of instructions is initiated in response to the detection of an improper execution . The detection and initiating operations are repeated according to a restart sequence which restarts operations without any Lag time. The detection and initiating operations are repeated again with another restart sequence which restarts with lag time. DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are \included for the following: (1) Computer controlled device;(2) Computer program product for storing process faults handling instructions; (3) Process control block data structure; and (4) Propagated data signal. USE - For handling processing faults in computer system and also in data communication/device such as routers, switches, hubs, gateways, network access ϕ ervers, proxy servers, network bridges, data repeaters , modems, protocols converters, etc. ADVANTAGE - Reduces the downtime of process failures , as the detection and instruction initiating operations are repeated according to restart sequence without lag time and with lag time. Hence, ensures correct overall system with improved flexibility. DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the architecture of computer controlled device. pp; 20 DwgNo 1/4 Title Terms: PROCESS; FAULT ; HANDLE; METHOD; COMPUTER ; SYSTEM; REPEAT ; DETECT ; FAULT ; INITIATE; EXECUTE ; INSTRUCTION; ACCORD; RESTART; SEQUENCE; RESTART; LAG; TIME Derwent Class: T01 International Patent Class (Main): G06F-011/00 File Segment: EPI

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014342552 **Image available**

WPI Acc No: 2002-163255/200221

XRPX Acc No: N02-124570

Implementing and fabricating faults in non-blocking three-phase flush algorithm for database transactions, involves executing primary and backup of commit coordinator, resource manager and log process pairs

Patent Assignee: COMPAQ COMPUTER CORP (COPQ)

Inventor: CHEUNG Y C; JOHNSON C S; SHARIQ M; TUNG S

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

 Patent No
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 Week

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 B1 20020108
 US 9760534
 P 19970930 200221
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US 98163812 A 19980930

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 9760534 P 19970930; US 98163812 A 19980930

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

US 6338146 B1 19 G06F-011/07 Provisional application US 9760534

Abstract (Basic): US 6338146 B1

NOVELTY - Primary and backup of commit coordinator, resource manager and log process pairs (2B0-2B2) are executed on different SMP nodes (210) of a network (220). A flush broadcast is issued by a transaction owner, so that the resource managers flush their respective database updates. The flush results reported to the primary commit coordinator are synchronized to the backup coordinator and a commit report is written in a log memory.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (a) Method for performing a non-blocking flush operation;
- (b) **Computer** readable medium storing program for performing non-blocking flush operation;
- (c) System for implementing and tolerating **faults** in a non-blocking three-phase **fault** algorithm

USE - For implementing and tolerating faults in non-blocking three-phase flush algorithm for database transactions effected on cluster computer systems.

ADVANTAGE - Since primary and backup of each process pairs are executed on different **nodes** of network, the **failure** of any system in either **node** will not result in loss to the flush results.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the SMP nodes comprising a cluster.

SMP nodes (210)

Network (220)

Log process pairs (2B0-2B2)

pp; 19 DwgNo 2/11

Title Terms: IMPLEMENT; FABRICATE; FAULT; NON; BLOCK; THREE; PHASE; FLUSH; ALGORITHM; DATABASE; TRANSACTION; EXECUTE; PRIMARY; COMMIT; COORDINATE; RESOURCE; MANAGE; LOG; PROCESS; PAIR

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-011/07

File Segment: EPI

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WPI Acc No: 2002-153902/200220

Related WPI Acc No: 2001-181302; 2002-413054

XRPX Acc No: N02-117019

Resource management method in clustered computer system, involves updating local resource queue during interrupt handler execution, after locking updated global resource queue

Patent Assignee: NOVELL INC (NOVE-N)

Inventor: MURPHY D; WIPFEL R A

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week
US 6338112 B1 20020108 US 9738251 P 19970221 200220 B

US 9824011 A 19980214 US 2000574093 A 20000518

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 9738251 P 19970221; US 9824011 A 19980214; US 2000574093 A 20000518

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

US 6338112 B1 22 G06F-013/24 Provisional application US 9738251 Div ex application US 9824011

Abstract (Basic): US 6338112 B1

NOVELTY - A global **resource** queue which is guarded by a lock, is unlocked for updating. The updated global queue is locked and the local queue of **resources** is updated while executing an interrupt handler.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (a) Computer system;
- (b) Recorded medium storing resource management program

USE - For managing resource allocation in a cluster computer system comprising server, workstation, diskless computer, lap-top, multi- processor, main-frame, network computer, personal digital assistant interconnected by legacy networks such as LAN, WAN, metropolitan area network, Internet network e.g. WWW, private Internet, secure Internet, value-added network, virtual private network, extranet or intranet.

ADVANTAGE - Enables to coordinate shared **resource** access when an interconnect fails without relying on a local area network or a serial link. Aids in rapid, detailed diagnosis of communication problems, hence promotes rapid and correct compensation by the cluster during communication **failure**. Also reallocates the sharable **resources** without interrupting work on other **nodes**.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a flowchart explaining resource allocation management process.

pp; 22 DwgNo 8/8

Title Terms: RESOURCE; MANAGEMENT; METHOD; CLUSTER; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; UPDATE; LOCAL; RESOURCE; QUEUE; INTERRUPT; HANDLE; EXECUTE; AFTER; LOCK; UPDATE; GLOBE; RESOURCE; QUEUE

Derwent Class: T01

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XRPX Acc No: N00-472530

Message communication method for use in multi processing computer system, involves invoking membership protocol providing asymmetric safety on failure detection of communication nodes

Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)

Inventor: PALMER J D; STRONG H R; UPFAL E

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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US 6092220 A 20000718 US 97972111 A 19971117 200061 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 97972111 A 19971117

Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes

Abstract (Basic): US 6092220 A

NOVELTY - One of nodes initiates message transmission to processing nodes of multi-processing system. A specific processing node receives initiated message transmission. The node detects failure, when acknowledging communication is not received from other nodes during specific period. Then, membership protocol providing asymmetric safety is invoked.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the

following:

- (a) program for **performing** message communication among **multiple** processing **nodes** in multiprocessing system;
 - (b) multiprocessing apparatus

USE - In multiprocessing **computer** system for exchanging information in banking network, automatic teller network, airlines reservation system, online **transaction** system, database management system.

ADVANTAGE - Eases implementation as it does not require strong consensus and symmetry among group members. Offers reliability as message delivery is guaranteed for each operating member node in multiprocessing system. Facilitates accurate, reliable communication among multiprocessing nodes in timely manner. In non-blocking and wait free as asymmetric membership protocol is used. Each node avoids failure by recognizing the failure condition despite delayed messages, lost messages, failed processing nodes.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the flow chart illustrating operational sequence of message reception for use in implementing **ordered** reliable multicast with asymmetric safety in multiprocessing system.

pp; 18 DwgNo 6/9

Title Terms: MESSAGE; COMMUNICATE; METHOD; MULTI; PROCESS; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; INVOKE; MEMBER; PROTOCOL; ASYMMETRIC; SAFETY; FAIL; DETECT; COMMUNICATE; NODE

Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-011/30

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  Fault recovery apparatus for computer system - includes duplicate
 processors which compare outputs of each other and validates output of
  processor system
Patent Assignee: HITACHI LTD (HITA,
Inventor: IKEDA K; IWAMOTO H; KURØSAWA K; MORIOKA M; NAKAMIKAWA T;
 NISHIYAMA T; OHGURO H
Number of Countries: 002 Number of Patents: 004
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Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 9356777 A 19930317; JP 92248133 A 19920917; JP 2001400603 A 19920917

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Abstract (Basic): US 5748873 A
        The highly reliable computer apparatus includes a main memory for
    storing data processed by the computer system. Two processors are
    connected to the main memory for executing a process in a duplex
    mode. A device compares respective outputs from the processors with
    each other for detecting \a mismatch between the outputs. Each of the
    processors includes a device for detecting the internal fault occurring in the processor One of the processors serves to
    recognize a fault occurring in the other processor based on fault information about the detected internal fault detected by the
    detecting device of the other \ processor when the mismatch is
    detected by the comparing device.
        Internal state information representing an internal status of the
    other processors is written in the main memory. A factor of the
    fault occurring in the other processor is determined based on the
    fault information about the detected internal fault . A
    synchronizing indication is provided to the processor when the
    processors continue the process in the duplex mode The processors
    are reset with clock-synchron/zing based on a re- executing indication
    in response to the synchronizing inditation by an operating device
    The internal state information representing the internal status of the
    other processor saved in the main memory is read and the process is
    continued.
        ADVANTAGE - Provides/highly reliable domputer apparatus.
Title Terms: FAULT; RECOVER; APPARATUS; COMPUTER; SYSTEM; DUPLICATE;
  PROCESSOR; COMPARE; OUTPUT; VALID; OUTPUT; PROCESSOR; SYSTEM
Derwent Class: T01
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Related WPI Acc No: 1995-215002
XRPX Acc No: N96-357866
  Multiprocessor fault -tolerant database for phone billing or airline
  reservation system - has multiple nodes divided into groups with
  table fragments and replicas distributed over system with transaction
  manager forwarding queries to relevant node
Patent Assignee: TELENOR AS (TELE-N); CLUSTRA SYSTEMS INC (CLUS-N)
Inventor: HVASSHOVD S; TORBJOERNSEN O; TORBJORNSEN O
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Abstract (Basic): US 5555404 A
                                  nodes , each with its own CPU, primary
        The system has multiple
    and secondary memory storing database tables and other data structures,
    and communication channels for communication with other nodes . The
    nodes are divided into at least two groups that share no resources
    . Each table in the system is divided into fragments distributed over
    all the nodes in the system. Primary and standby replicas of each
    fragment are stored on nodes in different groups . Database
    transactions are performed using the primary fragment replicas, and
    the standby replicas are updated using transaction log records. Every
    node of the system includes a data dictionary storing information
    indicating where each primary and standby fragment replica is stored.
        A transaction manager on each node responds to database
    queries by determining which fragment of a database is being accessed
    by the query and forwarding the database query to the node processor
    on which the primary replica of that fragment is stored. Upon failure
    of any one of the data processors in the system, each node updates
    the information in its data dictionary accordingly. In addition, the
    fragment replicas made unavailable by the node failure are
    regenerated and stored on the remaining available nodes in the same
           group as the failed
                                  node .
        ADVANTAGE - Provides highly reliable database server which is
    single fault tolerant. Has automatic non-blocking and self repair
    that quickly re-establishes single fault tolerance after first node failure. Provides graceful degradation w.r.t. data availability
    when multiple failures occur.
        Dwg.2/7
Title Terms: MULTIPROCESSOR; FAULT; TOLERATE; DATABASE; TELEPHONE; BILL;
  AIRLINE; RESERVE; SYSTEM; MULTIPLE; NODE; DIVIDE; GROUP; TABLE;
  FRAGMENT; REPLICA; DISTRIBUTE; SYSTEM; TRANSACTION; MANAGE; FORWARDING;
  QUERY; RELEVANT; NODE
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Abstract (Basic): GB 2287863 A
        The system includes a restoration prodessing stage (2) which
    searches for an alternative route on failure of a node or link. A
    stage (3) processes an acknowledgement message to reserve an alternative route. A cancellation message stage (4) cancels reservation
    of the alternative route. A confirmation stage (5) processes a
    confirmation message confirming a keserved alternative route and
    switches cross-connect equipment.
        A cross-connect completion message notifies completion of the
    switching of the cross-connect equipment to the nodes . A
    cross-connect acknowledgement message confirms completion of
    switching on the alternative route A stage (7) processes a
    cross-connection confirmation message to complete the search for an
    alternative route.
        ADVANTAGE - High speed restoration of service even for multiple
    link failures . Searches for alternative routes autonomously in
    distributed manner.
        1A, 1B/53
Title Terms: NETWORK; ALTERNATIVE; ROUTE; SEARCH; SYSTEM; FAIL; RESTORATION
  ; DISTRIBUTE; CONTROL; RESERVE/; ALTERNATIVE; ROUTE; SWITCH; EQUIPMENT;
  ALTERNATIVE; ROUTE; ACCORD; CONFIRM; MESSAGE
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  Continuously available database server e.g. for telephone billing system
  - has database table divided into fragments and distributed over all
  system nodes , performs
                             transactions using prim. fragment replicas,
  and updates standby replicas using log records, and has transaction
  manager for database queries
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Inventor: HVASSHOVD S
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Abstract (Basic): US 5423037 A
        A database server has multiple
                                         nodes , each having its own
    central processing unit, primary and secondary memory for storing
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database tables and other data structures, and communication channels for communication with other nodes. The nodes are divided into

first and second **groups** that share no **resources**. Each database table in the system is divided into fragments distributed for storage purposes over all the **nodes** in the system.

To ensure continued data availability after a node primary replica and a standby replica of each fragment are each stored on nodes in different groups . Database transactions are performed using the primary fragment replicas, and the standby replicas are updated using transaction log records. Every node of the system includes a data dictionary that stores information indicating where each primary and standby fragment replica is stored. The records of each database table are allocated as evenly as possible among the table fragments. A transaction manager on each node responds to database queries by determining which fragment of a database is being accessed by the query and then forwarding the database query to the node processor on which the primary replica of that fragment is stored. Upon failure of any one of the data processors in the system, each node updates the information in its data dictionary accordingly. In addition, the fragment replicas made unavailable by the node failure are regenerated and stored on the group as the failed remaining available nodes in the same node

ADVANTAGE - Prevents any one hardware **failure** from causing entire system to crash.

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Title Terms: CONTINUOUS; AVAILABLE; DATABASE; SERVE; TELEPHONE; BILL; SYSTEM; DATABASE; TABLE; DIVIDE; FRAGMENT; DISTRIBUTE; SYSTEM; NODE; PERFORMANCE; TRANSACTION; PRIMARY; FRAGMENT; REPLICA; UPDATE; STANDBY; REPLICA; LOG; RECORD; TRANSACTION; MANAGE; DATABASE; QUERY Index Terms/Additional Words: dist ributedB_US -5423037_US 5423037_U Derwent Class: T01

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  Processor error and error response system for mainframe central processing unit - has duplicated basic processing unit which performs
  data manipulations redundantly and compares duplicate data to
determine error and correct faulty data
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Framework for managing cluster membership in a multiprocessor system

Struktur zur Gruppenzugehorigkeitsverwaltung in einem Mehrfachrechnersystem

Structure pour gerer l'appartenance a un groupe dans un systeme

multiprocesseur

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CHANG R N ET AL: "A SERVICE ACQUISITION MECHANISM FOR SERVER-BASED HETEROGENEOUS DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS" IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON PARALLEL AND DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS, vol. 5, no. 2, 1 February 1994, pages 154-169, XP000440134;

ABSTRACT EP 750256 A2

A shared-disk cluster system includes a cluster membership manager framework which coordinates the joining or leaving among all nodes in a cluster including taking the multiple layers of involved subsystems through transitions. Subsystems are notified of transitions in particular order depending upon the transition, and all nodes' subsystems receiving a notification must process that notification prior to another layer of subsystems being notified. One of the subsystems registered for notification is an event manager in user space. The event manager carries out transfers of client services, including user applications, resulting from nodes joining and leaving the cluster. This includes a registration and launch service which registers a node, or multiple nodes, in a cluster which claims, or is assigned, responsibility for the service and provides an optional launching function which initiates the client service upon successful registration. (see image in original document)

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...SPECIFICATION difficult because inconsistent mechanisms may be used.

United States Patent US-A-5,287,453 discloses a cluster computer

system which includes a cluster of interconnected independently-operated computer systems which exchange information through a cluster controller

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Message passing system for distributed shared memory multiprocessor system and message passing method using the same

Nachrichtenubertragungssystem für Multiprozessorsystem mit verteiltem gemeinsamen Speicher und dazu gehöriges Nachrichtenubertragungsverfahre n

Systeme de communication de messages pour systeme multiprocesseur avec memoire partagee repartie et methode de communication de messages l'utilisant

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In a multiprocessor system, each processor module PM comprises a processor, a distributed shared memory, a distributed memory coupler for controlling copying between distributed shared memories and a distributed memory protector for protecting said on the distributed shared memory

against illegal access. The distributed shared memories are assigned with global addresses common to all the processor modules, and the distributed shared memory of each processor module PM has its addresses shared with the distributed shared memory of each processor module which is the destination of data transfer. Message buffers MB and message control areas on the distributed shared memory are divided into areas specified by a combination of sending and receiving processor modules and arranged. A processing request area on the distributed shared memory is divided corresponding to each receiving processor module and arranged accordingly. The processing request area on the receiver's side distributed shared memory has a FIFO structure. The sender's side distributed memory coupler stores identifying information of the destination processor module between the processor module communication and, upon occurrence of a write into the distributed shared memory, sends a write address and write data to the destination processor module. Furthermore, the receiver's side distributed memory coupler copies the received write data into the distributed shared memory of the processor module to which the distributed shared memory coupler belongs, by receiving write address and write data from the sender's side distributed memory coupler. (see image in original document)

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... SPECIFICATION the processing efficiency.

In U.S. Patent No. 4,951,193 there is disclosed a method which transfers data and control information between processors for processing in parallel a plurality of tasks partitioned from a process...

...which distributed shared memories, which form a shared virtual memory (SVM) address space, are shared by a **plurality** of **nodes** (**work stations**) through a network. In this system, each page of the shared virtual address space is mapped to...

- ...the same data is copied as well to the same address location of another distributed shared memory **specified** by an n-bit vector. In a literature by J. Sandberg et al., entitled "Virtual Memory Mapped...
- ...SDSM) system, which reduces the frequency of page transfer, using an update-based coherency protocol that sends write data to the copy destination each time the shared data is updated. Still another literature by L. D...
- ...bus and when a data is written to a local memory, its address is compared with preset **directory** entries and if it is a shared variable memory area, a copy of the update data is sent to all the nodes in the multicasting **group**.

However, these prior art literatures make no mention of a method which improves the efficiency of all...

(Item 3 from file: 348) 29/5,K/3 DIALOG(R) File 348: EUROPEAN PATENTS (c) 2003 European Patent Office. All rts. reserv. 00401209 Apparatus and method for coupling a data processor to alien information handling apparatus Anordung und Verfahren zum Verbinden eines Datenprozessors mit einem unbekannten Informationsverarbeitungssystem Appareil et procede pour connecter un processeur de donnees avec un systeme etranger du traitment des donnees PATENT ASSIGNEE: International Business Machines Corporation, (200120), Old Orchard Road, Armonk, N.Y. 10504, (US), (applicant designated states: AT; BE; CH; DE; DK; ES; FR; GB; GR; IT; LI; LU; NL; SE) Baker, Ernest Dysart, 12032 Deer Run Raleigh, North Carolina 27614, (US) Dinwiddie, John Monroe, Jr., 112 Pacer Circle/ West Palm Beach, FL 33414, Grice, Lonnie Edward, 252 N.W. 44th Street, Boca Raton, FL 33431, (US) Joyce, James Maurice, 1544 N.W. 9th Street, Boca Raton, FL 33431, (US) Loffredo, John Mario, 2694 S.W. 14th Drive, Dearfield Beach, FL 33442, (US) Sanderson, Kenneth Russell, 1132 Widgeon Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33414, (US) LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE: Bailey, Geoffrey Alan (27921), IBM United Kingdom Limited Intellectual Property Department Hursley Park, Winghester Hampshire SOR1/2JN, (GB) PATENT (CC, No, Kind, Date): EP 400841 A2 901205 (Basic) EP 400841 A3 940202 **/**B1 EP 400841 APPLICATION (CC, No, Date): EP 9030531/1 900516; PRIORITY (CC, No, Date): US 353114 8905/17 DESIGNATED STATES: AT; BE; CH; DE; DK; ES; FR; GB; GR; IT; LI; LU; NL; SE INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: G06F-015/16 CITED PATENTS (EP A): US 4004277 A; US 4004277 A; EP 132157 A; GB 2211005 A

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The functions of two virtual operating systems (e.g. S/370 VM, VSE or IX370 and S/88 OS) are merged into one physical system. Partner pairs of S/88 processors run the S/88 OS and handle the fault tolerant and single system image aspects of the system. One or more partner pairs of S/370 processors are coupled to corresponding S/88 processors directly and through the S/88 bus. Each S/370 processor is allocated form 1 to 16 megabytes of contiguous storage from the S/88 main storage. Each S/370 virtual operating system thinks its memory allocation starts at address 0, and it manages its memory through normal S/370 dynamic memory allocation and paging techniques. The S/370 is limit checked to prevent the S/370 from accessing S/88 memory space. The S/88 Operating System is

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...the node-level
 route storing an address of a next node along the
 node-level route, and
                 data from said source node to
  transferring
 said destination node via the node-level route based
 upon the addresses...
...next node along the nodeleve route.
  . The mobile ad-hoc network of Claim 10 wherein
 a respective cluster target nade is determined for each
  cluster along the cluster -level route; and wherein the node
  level route comprises a mode-level route from said source node
  to a cluster target node for a next adjacent cluster along the
 cluster -level route and a node-level route from each cluster target node to a next cluster target node along the clusterlevel
  route.
 12 The mobile ad-hoc network of Claim 11 wherein
  each cluster leader node along the...
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English Abstract

The present invention relates to an Internet service system (4) which provides users with real-time communication with an Internet concierge

(8) to facilitate the use of the Internet.

French Abstract

La presente invention concerne un systeme (4) de services Internet permettant aux utilisateurs de communiquer en temps reel avec un concierge (8) Internet destine a leur faciliter l'utilisation de l'Internet.

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Claims

Claim

- ... the Internet service system of the present invention;
 Fig. 5 is a schematic diagram of a concierge cluster of the one
 embodiment of Internet service system of present invention;
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 Fig. 6 is a schematic...
- ...the Internet service system of the present invention;
 Fig. 10 is a flowchart of the redirection and assignment process of
 one embodiment of the Internet service system of the present invention;
 Fig. 1 1 is...any wired or wireless
 communication system or device. Generally, the Internet is a
 cooperatively
 run, globally distributed collection of computer networks that exchange
 information via Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
 ("TCP/IP"). TCP/IP is...
- ...URLs") are the scheme by which Internet resources are addressed on the web. URLs can point to numerous resources on the Internet, which are stored in databases on servers such as web pages, Hyper-Text Markup ...
- ...appreciated that several of the figures include one or more of the following trademarks used by the **assignee** of this application in a current embodiment of the present invention: (a) LIGHTFLOW; (b) LIGHTFLOW.COM; (c...
- ...services) 22 which may provide additional tools (Fig. 3). The system 2 further includes a plurality concierge clusters 24 and a plurality of user computer terminals, Internet access devices, PSTN access devices 20
 - or devices used to access similarly architected private networks 30...
- ...between an available concierge that has the highest probability of meeting the user's anticipated need as determined by the system using a concierge matching process as discussed below, and, preferably, with-a concierge the...
- ...handling access to and dynamic construction of pages requested by the users (in this embodiment). The concierge assignment and the concierge redirection modules of the system 2 which are described below also run on the...

...user web pages. The billing servers generally keep track of each user's use of the system, specifically including the communication time between the users and the concierges. More specifically, the system 2 includes a plurality of databases on the database servers which store the relevant and...user's preferences; and (viii) a pages database which stores for each user within the system a collection of pages which all have a file name and path associated with them. The pages database also...

...sources.

As illustrated in Fig. 4, this embodiment of the system 2 includes a plurality of concierge clusters 24. Each concierge cluster 24 includes a

1 5 concierge main workstation 26, a plurality of concierge working terminals 28 which communicate through the network with the concierge main workstation 26 and a plurality of user emulation terminals 29 which communicate through

the network with the concierge main workstation 26. The concierge main alternative embodiment...

...28 and

emulation terminals 29 will be connected or in communication with users (i.e., busy) and **several** concierge **terminals** 28 and emulation terminals 29 will not be connected to users (i.e., idle and awaiting connection...

- ...concierge main workstation 26, the concierge terminal 28, and the client emulator 29 of the same concierge cluster, and (c) a user computer connected with the concierge terminal 28. The X-server on the concierge...
- ...26 to enable the transfer of data between the applets and the concierge application. This restriction is **determined** by the Java security model. Java is a trademark of Sun Microsystems, Inc. The video conferencing clients...634 for servers 628a in the call processing framework. The call processing framework communicates with a lightweight **directory** access protocol 636 to provide for user authorization in a conventional manner. The system is preferably adaptable...
- ...is known that web pages may be dynamically created each time a web page is requested. More **specifically**, when a user requests a web page, the user's request goes through the Internet to a...
 ...links to other pages. Preferably, the user web pages or personal pages
- will be composite pages of **selected** objects from other pages. This shared disk storage embodiment of the present invention thus creates a significantly...
- ...as if there is not internet connection for video, the system will not send video signals. More **specifically**, the user 604 is routed to a call center that is most appropriate for the user based...
- ...It should be appreciated that several different routines or processes could be used to route callers to **specific** assistants, I 0 concierges or **groups** of assistants or concierges as described below. It should be appreciated that certain of the system processes...

... URL into the

user's conventional browser on the user's computer or other Internet access device (**collectively** referred to herein as the "user's computer"). The user's

browser requests the system web page from the system web server 12 as indicated by block 40. The user's browser determines if the user's browser

has a cookie associated with the concierge communication page 8 as indicated...system web server 12 validates

the cookie as indicated by block 46. If the web server 12 determines as

illustrated by diamond 48 that the cookie is not valid or if the user's browser...

...username and password submitted by the user as indicated by block 56. The system web server 12 **determines** if the username and password are valid as indicated by diamond 58. If the username and password...

...if the username and password are valid, or if the cookie is valid, the web server 12 **determines** if the user or user's browser requested the

concierge communication page 8 as indicated by decision...

...browser requested or subsequently requests the concierge communication page 8, the system 12 performs the redirection and assignment process (discussed in detail below) to assign a concierge to the

user as indicated by block 66, and establishes communication between the concierge and the user as described below.

Generally, the system 12 determines if a concierge is assigned to a user as indicated by diamond 68 and as described in detail below. If no concierge is available to be assigned to the user, the system web server 12 sends a busy page to the user's browser...

...web server 12 to the user's browser as indicated by block 64. If a concierge is assigned to the user, the system initiates a Java interface or communication between the concierge and the user including:

(i) the textual

communication process which facilitates two-way textual communication between the user and the **assigned** concierge; (ii) the audio-visual communication process which facilitates two-way audio-visual communication between the user...

...with the concierge and provides communication between the user and the concierge. The system also provides the **selected** concierge with the user's web site and other relevant information to enable the concierge to view the user's web site on the user

emulator terminal 29. The system 2 enables the **assigned** concierge to change the user's web site during the communication (or at any other time as...concierge main

workstation through which the user's chat applet and command applet may connect to, send data to, and receive data from the concierge application as indicated by block 82. The concierge application then...

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29/5,K/11 (Item 4 from file: 349) DIALOG(R) File 349:PCT FULLTEXT (c) 2003 WIPO/Univentio. All rts. reserv. 00778300 **Image available** MACHINE VISION SENSOR UTILIZING SPREADSHEETS CAPTEUR DE VISION ARTIFICIELLE Patent Applicant/Assignee: COGNEX CORPORATION, One Vision Drive, Natick, MA 01760, US, US (Residence), US (National/ity) Inventor(s): MCGARRY John, 12395 SW Corylus, Partland, OR 97224, US, Legal Representative: POWSNER David J (et al) (agent), Nutter, McClennen & Fish LLP, One International Place, Boston, MA 02110-2699, US, Patent and Priority Information (Country, Number, Date):

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machines, one could answer, "The machine." While such experiences of a real world around us in which machines answer phones can be explained in the qualifying statement "Figuratively, that is," such is not the case with...

...it is a possible intrinsic form of I (soul) and is capable of allying itself with the **interrogative** and indefinite pronouns such as who. 1 5 As we further examine the indefinite pronouns, which act...or the semantic forms of language (epistemic instance)—the meaning embodied as one's existence—can objectively determine how much is enough. In just a handful of examples of the nouns of English grammar, we...

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MULTILEVEL DISTRIBUTED COMPUTER SYSTEM SYSTEME INFORMATIQUE A REPARTITION MULTINIVEAU

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Claims

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English Abstract

A multilevel distributed computer system for distributed processing preferably includes a plurality of personal computers. A task inputted to the system is divided into a plurality of portions. As many of the portions as possible are distributed for processing on the lowest level of the system. Those portions unprocessed on the lowest level are distributed for processing on the next lowest level. Remaining unprocessed portions of the task are distributed to available computers on successively higher levels of the system until all of the task have been distributed for processing.

French Abstract

Un systeme informatique a repartition multiniveau pour le traitement reparti comprend de preference une pluralite d'ordinateurs personnels. Une tache entree dans le systeme est divisee en plusieurs parties. On distribue autant de parties que possible pour les traiter sur le niveau le plus bas du systeme. Les parties non traitees sur le niveau le plus bas sont reparties pour etre traitees sur le niveau suivant le plus bas. Les parties non traitees restantes de la tache sont distribuees aux ordinateurs disponibles sur des niveaux successivement plus eleves du systeme jusqu'a ce que toutes les parties de la tache aient ete distribuees en vue d'etre traitees.

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Detailed Description

... taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in which.

FIG* 1 is a block diagram of a cluster computer system;

FIG* 2 is a block diagram of a token ring computer system;
FIGe 3 is a block...

...same line/bus (i.e. the ETHERNETO computer system).

As shown in FIG. 1. a prior art cluster computer system 10 includes between three to six computers 11 which are hard wired together and totally interlinked. Each...

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AUTHOR: Lindhe, Laura SOURCE: Industry Standard, v3 n20 p228(3) May 29, 2000

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AT&T's AT&T PocketNet, Macromedia's Dreamweaver, Vignette's Content Management Server, and Allaire's ColdFusion are products highlighted in a buyers' guide to development tools that allow companies to re-engineer a Web site to support access by wireless browsers. Products briefly described include Aether Systems' ScoutWare and Aether Intelligent Messaging; Financial Fusion on-premises and outsourced wireless solutions; Geoworks' Mobile ASP (application service provider) server; Open Market's Transact 5 server; Phone.com's developers' kit; RTS Wireless' Advantage System, which provides wireless subscribers with personalized information; Tantau Software's Wireless Internet Platform for banks, brokerages, and retailers; W-Trade Technologies' software and consulting services; Wireless Knowledge Workstyle Server for remote access to e-mail, calendars, and contact databases; and Wysdom, which allow sites to delivery content, advertising, and e-commerce to many wireless platforms. Companies considering adding Web site support for the 1 billion cell phones and handhelds that will get Web access in the next four years should keep in mind the 'user experience.' Important considerations are the types of devices the site should support, which may include cell phones that send data via the Wireless Application Protocol (WAP), personal digital assistants and handhelds, and two-way pagers that operate with any e-mail service. The company must then determine which services should be outsourced and which should be implemented internally, and cost is a primary consideration.

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Description

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statistically monitored and failures predicted based on the repeated violation of an alarm threshold. A series of heat pump failures are experimentally induced and representative results presented and analyzed to demonstrate the potential advantages of this diagnostic approach. 13 refs.

Descriptors: HEAT PUMP SYSTEMS --* Failure; COMPUTER AIDED ANALYSIS; SIGNAL FILTERING AND PREDICTION-Kalman Filtering; STATISTICAL METHODS; SYSTEMS SCIENCE AND CYBERNETICS-- Atimation

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(Automatic Control Principles); 922 (Statistical Methods)
64 (HEAT & THERMODYNAMICS); 72 (COMPUTERS & DATA PROCESSING); 73 (CONTROL ENGINEERING); 92 (ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS)

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Title: DISTRIBUTED FUNCTIONALITY AND CONFIGURATION OF THE DIII-D DATA ACQUISITION AND ANALYSIS SYSTEM.

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Abstract: The upgrade of the Doublet III tokamak facility to the DIII-D has begun, and operation is scheduled to begin in 1986. An initial data rate of approximately 5 megabytes per shot and an eventual rate in excess of 20 megabytes per shot is anticipated, compared with the 5. 3 megabytes acquired per shot at the end of Doublet III operation. A description is given of the data acquisition and analysis system for DIII-D, which will draw heavily on the software, hardware, and knowledge gained from the previous Doublet III program. One of the significant features of the Doublet III system which led to its success was the distribution of functions throughout the total system. Each computer system acted as part of a pipeline where each component performed its function as the data passed through. Communication between different components was kept to a minimum so that the functionality of each component was emphasized. For DIII-D this distribution of functionality will continue. The most important new aspect of the system is the addition of a DEC VAX cluster for real-time, as well as offline, analysis and long-term data storage. The VAX system will take over a number of functions from the Modcomp system, thus allowing the Modcomp system to concentrate fully on acquisition and control. 7 refs.

Descriptors: *TOKAMAK DEVICES--*Computer Applications; DATA PROCESSING; COMPUTER SYSTEMS, DIGITAL--Distributed

Identifiers: DOUBLET III-D FACILITY; DATA ACQUISITION/ANALYSIS SYSTEM; VAX CLUSTER COMPUTER SYSTEM

Classification Codes:

- 621 (Nuclear Reactors); 932 (High Energy, Nuclear & Plasma Physics); 723 (Computer Software)
- 62 (NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY); 93 (ENGINEERING PHYSICS); 72 (COMPUTERS & DATA PROCESSING)

Prestel, the world's first public videotex service, now has some 16,000 customers and is available to 62% of telephone subscribers in the United Kingdom on a local call basis. To provide this service either a computer or a remote multiplexer is provided in the customer's local service area. The computers accessed by customers for information retrieval receive their videotex page "updates" from a national center, to which they are connected in "star" configuration. Monitoring the performance of this nationwide, and largely unattended distributed computer network, is of prime importance to the operating authority and its customers in order to maximize the throughput of expensive equipment and to guarantee a reliable service. To this end BT have adopted several methods of performance monitoring. Specialist microprocessor equipment known as VAMPIRE automatically monitors the status of computer input ports to detect faulty modems and computer equipment. Hardware monitors have been deployed at selected centers to **determine** the utilization of various hardware and software processes. Mini- computers have been programmed to simulate user access to gain quantified information about response times. These specialist techniques are deployed along with more conventional computer and communications fault reporting procedures and the data thus obtained gives a reliable indication of the reliability and efficiency of the network.

Descriptors: Monitoring; Networks; **Performance**; Prestel Classification Codes and Description: 3.01 (Writing and Recording); 3.01 (Writing and Recording)
Main Heading: Information Generation and Promulgation

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Title: Reliable multicast group communication in networked distributed systems

Author(s): Uminski, P.W.

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Language: Polish Document Type: Journal Paper (JP)

Treatment: Practical (P)

Abstract: The **client** server programming model is a very popular model for constructing large scale distributed systems. This model allows us to specify and fulfil different reliability requirements for different parts of the system. The new idea of a highly reliable service is presented. This service, called a group server, is performed on several different nodes at the same time. Clients send messages to the server using
reliable multicast protocol. The messages are addressed to the group rather then to the particular node. Due to the use of this protocol all nodes in the group can receive and generate the same messages. Therefore, all results obtained by all replicas should be the same-and a failure of one of the replicas does not lead to the failure of the whole service. We create a new multicast protocol, GREP (Group Reliable Protocol) to be used to access our group server. This protocol allows clients to send a message to the group and guarantees that all members of the group will receive the correct message. It also generates a common response from the group, based on results obtained from each member of the group server. GREP is a token ring based protocol, where the token is used to synchronise all members of the group . This protocol is a multilevel protocol; different subprotocols are responsible for passing token and group synchronisation, receiving messages, voting and sending messages, and detecting and diagnosing faulty nodes . The

node , which is producing results differing from the results of the other nodes is diagnosed as faulty and removed from the group until a successful recovery action is performed . (9 Refs)

Subfile: B C

Descriptors: client -server systems; fault tolerant computing; message

passing; protocols; synchronisation

Identifiers: reliable multicast group communication; networked distributed systems; client server programming model; large scale distributed systems; reliability requirements; highly reliable service; group server; reliable multicast protocol; multicast protocol; GREP; Group Reliable Protocol; common response; token ring based protocol; multilevel protocol; group synchronisation; faulty nodes

multilevel protocol; group synchronisation; faulty nodes
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Title: Center placement algorithms for large multicast groups

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Author Affiliation: Inst. Eurecom, Sophia Antipolis, France

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Treatment: Theoretical (T)

Abstract: An increasing number of distributed applications require a specific form of multicast called dissemination, in which a single source reliably transfers data to multiple receivers. Reliability leads for large groups of receivers (100s or 1000s of participants) to the problem of feedback implosion at the source and to a decrease of transmission efficiency. The cluster approach was identified to have excellent scalability with the number of receivers. It partitions the multicast delivery tree into clusters, where a representative in the cluster called center is used for local feedback processing and local transmission. Up to now, clustering/center placement has been done administratively or based on network addresses. We require center placement algorithms, allowing the introduction of placement criteria based on the network topology and on delay. Three center placement algorithms designed for static multicast groups are presented and simulation results are shown in order to assess their performance. (20 Refs)

Subfile: B C

Descriptors: data communication; distributed processing; network topology; protocols

Identifiers: center placement algorithms; large multicast groups; distributed applications; dissemination; data transfer; multiple receivers; cluster approach; scalability; multicast delivery tree; local feedback processing; local transmission; network topology; delay; performance assessment

Class Codes: B6150M (Protocols); B6210L (Computer communications); C5640 (Protocols); C5620 (Computer networks and techniques); C6150N (Distributed systems software)

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 Abstract: Prestel, the world's first public videotex service, now has
some 16000 customers and is available to 62% of telephone subscribers in
the United Kingdom on a local call basks / To provide this service either a
computer or a remote multiplexer is provided in the customer's local
                   computers accessed by customers for information
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retrieval receive their videotex page / updates' from a national centre, to
              are connected in 'star' configuration. Monitoring the
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              of this nationwide and largely unattended distributed
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computer network is of prime importance to the operating authority and
its customers in order to maximi/se the throughput of expensive equipment
and to guarantee a reliable service. To this end BT have adopted several
methods of performance monitoring. Specialist microprocessor equipment
known as VAMPIRE automatically monitors the status of computer input
ports to detect
                      fault / modems and computer equipment. Hardware
monitors have been deployed at selected centres to determine
utilisation of various hardware and software processes. Minicomputers have
been programmed to simulate user access to gain quantified information
about response times. These specialist techniques are deployed along with
      conventional computer and communications
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procedures and the data thus obtained gives a reliable indication of the
reliability and efficiency of the network. (2 Refs)
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ABSTRACT: This paper introduces the high-speed network, Myrinet, which is
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appropriate to the **cluster computer system** used as a computer by connecting plural number of personal computers and workstations with a network with each other. Myrinet with which the high speed communication of 1.28Gbps in unidirectional communication and 2.56Gbps in bi-directional communication can be made, has the network topology enabling the cube and two-dimensional mesh network even with the multiple switch structure, and latency performance under 5.MU.s in actual values. Network architecture elements/functions and cases of introduction are explained.

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disk is divided into different MSDOS partitions, each of which is treated as a logical volume and assigned a drive letter by MS-DOS, as we have said. Under the extended partitioning scheme, the disk and assigned one drive letter, but many logical volumes may reside within the extended partition, with each volume being assigned a unique drive designator. In our example, the first table entry, corresponding to the C: drive is the primary MS-DOS...

...the mental arithmetic wizard reading this article will have spotted one small problem. A 512 MB drive, assigned to one volume, would have 1 million 512 byte sectors, which, even with eight sectors per cluster, would lead to a rather large FAT of some 1000 sectors. To add to the problems, various internal MS-DOS data structures, such as the variables in the request headers used for transferring data to and from disk device drivers, were unable to cope with sector numbers larger than the word limit. Accordingly, Compaq overcame the problem by stipulating that their very large partitions would have more sectors per cluster (as many as 16 sectors per...

...header length is now 24 bytes, and the disk drivers in IBMBIO.COM check this size to determine whether they are being passed requests for the special extended partitions. As a double check, the device...Compaq to indicate that one of its huge partitions is in use. The identification byte 06h was assigned to this job, and always implies that a 16-bit FAT is in use. So the current...

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The hidden benefits of data compression. (includes a related article on the V.42 bis data compression standard)

Powell, Dave

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... in North America, all of which can simultaneously work on job data bases in our central VAX Cluster computer system.

"The network, and data compression in particular, have made it possible for us to draw upon our...

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The benefits of a Windows 2000 cluster
High-availability services are easy to install and manage, but clustering
software needs more automation.

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... absolutely know what you are doing. Clustering links individual servers physically, and coordinates communication so they can **perform** common tasks. Should a server stop functioning, a process called failover automatically shifts its workload to another...

... site, Compaq engineers set up and configured the cluster server. The purpose of our test was to determine the ease of operation, the reliability and the ability to manage this cluster server package. We tested the ability to do rolling upgrades, network load balancing, failure detection /recovery and failover/failback. There were things we really liked about Win 2000 Cluster Services. The software...

...where improvement is definitely needed. Much of the failover and restore operations require manual intervention. Alerts concerning **failed** hardware are not automatically presented to the administrator. When a drive **failure** occurred there were too many dialogue boxes to dismiss before service could be restored. The unit tested...

... and a separate 1850R running as a domain controller. Each 1850R had a 600-MHz Pentium III **processor**. Three of the ProLiants were running as individual web servers. (See Figure 1, Testbed diagram). The rack...

... consists of a core application stack that includes load balancing, application services such as Web servers, data resources, security and management. Under the clustering infrastructure used by Windows 2000, the clients access the cluster services through a series of IP-based servers that handle Network Load Balancing (NLB.) The NLB software directs the to a server in the cluster that can accept the session. This client prevents any one server from being overloaded by client requests or sessions. Win 2000 uses a shared-nothing environment where each cluster node has its own memory and disk storage. At any instant, only one node is managing each disk. Nodes across a common link that is separate from the connection used to provide connections to the RAID or mirror arrays. If a server fails to respond to the heartbeats generated by another node the common link, the shared-nothing architecture across automatically transfers ownership of resources such as disk drives and IP addresses from the failed server to another server. Rolling upgradesOne of the biggest problems facing server administrators is how to manage...

... in server downtime. One of the more interesting clustering features of Win 2000 is the ability to **perform** a rolling upgrade of the system that lets cluster **nodes** to be upgraded, one **node** at a time, so that services and **resources** offered by the cluster are continually available. This allows administrators to move the system to a new...

... upgrade the operating system without disrupting services to users. We simulated a rolling upgrade by doing a complete reinstallation of Win 2000 and SQL Server 7.0 on one of the cluster nodes. We found there were some preliminary steps needed to prepare the cluster for this procedure. The node being upgraded could be removed from the cluster only if the cluster service is stopped in advance. After doing this, we were able to evict the node from the cluster. We then formatted the drive and reinstalled the operating system and cluster services on the "upgraded" node. Finally, by using the Add Remove Programs Control Panel and adding the clustering application the rebuilt node was able to join the existing cluster. During the upgrade, user access to the cluster server was...

... that sets up the manner the SQL is to be handled in the event of a

resource ownership for the shared drives and services, we were able to get the SQL group created and back into the cluster. Network Load Balancing Microsoft's NLB software distributes ...creates a single virtual IP network address for all the servers operating in the cluster. From the client 's point of view, the cluster appears to be a single server. In theory, each client 's request is distributed among the various Web servers. However, every time we went to the virtual...

... of hits to each of the three NLB servers and proved that NLB was indeed working properly. Failure Detection & RecoveryOne of the goals of our testing was to determine if Win 2000 could recover from failures that we generated in both the software and hardware of the cluster server. Mission-critical applications and data should never be offline for more than a minute. Failures should trigger recovery processes, automatically restarting applications or entire server workloads on a surviving machine in the cluster. This process, from detection through recovery, should typically occur in no more than a minute or two. In our testing, we found Win 2000 could take considerably longer to recover (up to five minutes depending on the failure .)We tested this capability by destroying, deleting or renaming files in the Windows NT system folder and...
...ability to rebuild itself from any damage we tried incur on the cluster. Understandably, we could cause failures by manually stopping certain services such as the cluster services. However, we found it hard to do...

... serious file damage because Windows File Protection prevented the replacement of essential system files. We then simulated **failures** both to the mirrored and RAID arrays. First, we **failed** the mirror array by pulling out one of the mirrored drives. Although the system continued to function normally, we were disappointed that there was no drive **failure** warning generated and placed on the console screen. We found a similar situation with the RAID array...

... up and continued to function normally. However, again there was no notification from Advanced Server that a **failure** had occurred. Although the system provided for our testing had redundant drives and servers, they were all...

... This is a common oversight and a potentially serious one because it creates a single point of **failure**. And fail it did - right out of the box, so to speak. As soon as it was...

... a replacement hub could be shipped in and installed by a Compaq technician the next day. This **failure** underscored how critical redundancy is within a cluster server. When it comes to mission critical applications, nothing in the system should ever be a single point of **failure** .Compaq includes an application in this bundle called the Compaq Array Utility (CAU) which allows you to...

... or the RAID array in either their logical or physical configurations. Running the CAU correctly pointed out failed drives in both the mirrored array and in the RAID array. However, the CAU is not normally run continuously and therefore has no way to automatically alert the user when a drive failure occurs. The Windows Event Viewer also indicates failed drives, but as in the case of the CAU you must specifically open the Event Viewer to see the failure. Because these tools are not normally active, they create a potentially dangerous situation. Should a drive failure occur in either the mirrored drives or in a drive in the RAID cluster, the server administrator is not likely to be aware of it. A second failure in either a mirrored drive or a second drive in the RAID array will cause everything to fail. In our system, simulating a second drive failure did indeed bring everything to a screeching halt. Although it did not come pre-installed on our...

... and other hardware in the system. Although we did not test this, SNMP should trap a drive **failure** and send it to an SNMP management console. Failover and failbackWin 2000 provides a flexible system where you can

declare a single node, multiple nodes or no node as the preferred owner. The preferred owner designates which of the cluster services - such as SQL and Cluster Services - are under the control of which of the cluster nodes . You set this on a per-service basis and can also manually move disk services - such as cluster groups and SQL -between nodes at will. In addition, you can set how you want failback to occur. The choices are immediate...

... example, to set failback to occur exactly at 30 minutes or one hour after restoration of the **failed** system. (Restoration occurs by either repairing the problem or replacing hardware. Failback occurs when something that was previously offline returns to service.) We tested failover and failback by setting Cluster **Node** 2 as the preferred owner of both SQL and Cluster Services. We then set the failback to...

... Services. After doing this, we verified that we could manually move SQL and Cluster Services between Cluster Node 2 and Cluster Node 1. After both services back to Cluster Node 2, we failed it by pulling moving its Fibre Channel connection. This disconnected Cluster Node 2 from the disk arrays. The SQL and cluster services automatically moved to Cluster Node 1 as expected. Next, we restored Cluster Node 2 by plugging the Fibre Channel connection back in. Before we could bring Cluster Node 2 back on line, however, we had to clear a large number of dialog boxes (eight to 10) and manually restart the cluster services. In this state, SQL automatically moved back to Cluster Node 2, but Cluster Services remained 1. When we tried to move the Cluster Services back to on Cluster Node Node 2, the Cluster Services went offline, and then came back online once again by Cluster Node 1. In other words, the Cluster Services could no longer be moved either manually or automatically by the system. Any attempt to examine the cluster using the CAU also failed because ownership was now split between Cluster Node 1 (Cluster Services) and Cluster Node 2 (SQL.) When we failed Cluster Node 1 by pulling its Fibre Channel connection, we immediately received a message that cluster database "was no longer available." In other words, we had experienced a complete and total failure that rendered the entire system inoperable. The solution to this situation requires a fair amount of manual intervention. By pulling the Fibre Channel connection, Cluster Node 2 could no longer see the disk array even after the connection was restored because the **failed** node once restored does not automatically rescan the disks as might be expected. A workaround is to manually rescan the disks by going to Computer Management: Storage:Disk Management and selecting 'Rescan Disks.' Because a reboot forces a rescan of the disks, this could also be accomplished by rebooting the previously failed cluster node. However, a disk rescan takes about 11 seconds. Therefore, it is faster to rescan than reboot the node .As we mentioned earlier, the CAU is used for installing, configuring and testing of the RAID array...

... services, SQL and cluster services. It's a normal procedure to balance the various services between cluster nodes. However, when we did this, any attempt to run the CAU failed. We asked both Microsoft and Compaq to address this problem. Compaq pointed to Microsoft's shared-nothing environment as the root of CAU failure problem. Shared-nothing requires all disk services to run on a single cluster node with the other node running in hot standby. Balancing services between cluster nodes can not be done if the user expects the CAU to function. At last report, Microsoft and...

... In the meantime, the work-around is to move all disk-based services to the same cluster **node** prior to running the CAU. You can then do whatever disk administration or maintenance is necessary with...

... It also contains notes on planning an installation, running the setup utility, upgrading and installing on cluster nodes, system recovery and troubleshooting. More information is needed to run a system this complex. Fortunately, the Microsoft...

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IP Multicast still waiting for takeoff

A lack of management tools, interoperability issues and immature protocols slow the bandwidth-saving technology's growth.

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Text:

... was first introduced in Steve Deering's doctoral dissertation in 1988. Multicast technology can be used to **send data** - such as streaming media, stock quotes or inventory updates - simultaneously from one-to-many or many-to...

... enterprises are a mixed bag in terms of what they have for equipment," says Stan Schatt, research director at Giga Group. "There is still something like 6% of companies with token ring. A lot of networks still have...

... reserved Class D IP address, there is some worry about its scalability. Multicast uses "routing trees" to determine its path through the network. Because Class D addresses are limited, Coltun fears there won't be...

... s Coltun, who sees a combination of servers and services that combine unicast and multicast technologies to **deliver data** as efficiently as possible. Under this scenario, corporations can multicast data as far out on the network...

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Event Correlation
From myth to reality
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In a darkened network operations center, operators and engineers mill about, **performing** their routine morning rituals, drinking coffee, reading e-mails and checking log files. A large display dominates the scene, providing a topology map that changes color with the status of each **node**. An idle event browser is displayed next to the map. All of a sudden, the event browser...

... nonstop. The operators spring into action, frantically banging away on every available keyboard in an effort to **determine** what went wrong. The operations manager bursts in and bellows, "What's going on?" The lead operator...

... focuses on isolating problems specific to a particular device. 2. The network level, which focuses on how nodes in the network are connected to each other and the impact each node has on its neighbors. 3. The service level, which is concerned with applications that use the network and how failures at the object, network and/or service levels impact the performance of a particular service. Most organizations do not achieve effective event correlation because they are unable to establish the relationships among these three...

- ... information is processed to isolate the root cause of a problem pertaining only to that object (or node in the network). When a problem occurs, the event correlation engine (ECE) needs to ask a complex set of questions, the answers to which eventually lead to a problem determination .For example, let's say a router generates an SNMP trap, informing the ECE that an interface has just gone down. The ECE needs to verify some base level information that the interface is really down and that it's not supposed to...
- ... the router is overutilized and needs to be upgraded. Network level The network level is concerned with how nodes are related to each other and how the failure of one (or more) node will affect the rest of the network. This needs to be done by examining the connections between the nodes and constructing a database of these connections. The idea is to determine a set of parent/child relationships to every node being monitored. Naturally, this will be a many-to-many relationship because nodes could have multiple children and multiple parents. With this information, the complete path to any node can be known, and it will be possible to recognize that a large stream of alarms are the result of a single node .At first blush, it may seem that this information is available in the topology map. However, topology...
- ... application level, problems are not really problems at all; they are symptoms of some other problem, the **failure** of a **node** (at the object level) or a connection (at the network level) or a subordinate service such as Domain Name System (at the service level). The ECE needs to **recognize** that a service has **failed** and then map the symptom to the actual problem. Knowing the logical relationships and the dependencies among the various network **nodes** is the key at the service level. Unfortunately, each service is unique and can have a complicated...
- ... from Ganymede Software. Realistically, the process of finding all the relationships will be an iterative one. After determining the dependencies, it will then be possible to use tools to measure the performance of the service. There are three basic approaches to measuring application performance: 1. use simulated transactions .2. use agents on every user desktop. 3. use agents on the servers. Here's how an...
- ...s assume that an interface is down, and suppose the marketing department has negotiated a 10-second **response** time for each Web page to be displayed. And let's assume that the Web server makes SQL queries to a Sybase server, which happens to be on the other side of the **failed** interface. The ECE needs to notice that the Web page has not been displayed ... need to deploy event correlation: 1. Whether it's autodiscovery with a management platform, such as Network **Node** Manager or NetView 6000, or a manually populated database, there needs to be some way for **node** information to be added, deleted, and modified. Accurate **node** information is the mortar and stone of the network management system. 2. Next, there needs to be...
- ... Data Protocol (UDP)/TCP socket connections.4. The network management system should be divided into components that **perform** particular tasks. At the top of the system would be the Manager of Managers (MOM). The MOM...
- ... relationship database is maintained and used. The MOM has the big picture and is best-suited to **perform** the service-level correlation. There are a number of tools available today that can fill this role... ... three ECEs feeding the MOM with alarm information. Each needs to be customized with models for the **nodes** that it manages. Each is responsible for one layer of the network infrastructure, one for the backbone...
- ... models can be customized and enhanced to match a specific series of events. Each network is unique, **complete** with its own set of quirks. A generic model may provide a good template, but it will...